

## LOOMIS-SIKORSKI THEOREM FOR $\sigma$ -COMPLETE MV-ALGEBRAS AND $\ell$ -GROUPS

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### Abstract

We show that every  $\sigma$ -complete MV-algebra is an MV- $\sigma$ -homomorphic image of some  $\sigma$ -complete MV-algebra of fuzzy sets, called a tribe, which is a system of fuzzy sets of a crisp set  $\Omega$  containing  $1_\Omega$  and closed under fuzzy complementation and formation of  $\min\{\sum_n f_n, 1\}$ . Since a tribe is a direct generalization of a  $\sigma$ -algebra of crisp subsets, the representation theorem is an analogue of the Loomis-Sikorski theorem for MV-algebras. In addition, this result will be extended also for Dedekind  $\sigma$ -complete  $\ell$ -groups with strong unit.

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### 1. Introduction

The concept of MV-algebras was introduced by Chang [Cha] in 1958 as a non-lattice generalization of Boolean algebras and they arise from many valued logic of Łukasiewicz in the same manner as Boolean algebras arise from classical two-valued logic.

$\sigma$ -complete MV-algebras are MV-algebras which are  $\sigma$ -complete lattices. Such MV-algebras are always semisimple algebras, and they are exactly those for which there exists an MV-isomorphism with a *Bold algebra*, that is, with an algebra of fuzzy sets of a crisp set  $\Omega$  which contains  $1_\Omega$ , and which is closed under the fuzzy complementation and formation of  $\min\{f + g, 1\}$ . Belluce [Bel] showed that every semisimple MV-algebra  $M$  can be always represented as a Bold algebra of continuous

fuzzy sets on the compact Hausdorff space of all maximal ideals of  $M$ . And this is an analogue of Stone’s representation theorem for Boolean algebras.

Tribes are Bold algebras of fuzzy sets which are roughly speaking closed under pointwise suprema, and they are a direct generalization of a  $\sigma$ -algebra of crisp subsets.

The famous Loomis-Sikorski theorem [Sik] plays a crucial rôle for analysis of Boolean  $\sigma$ -algebras, and it says that every Boolean  $\sigma$ -algebra is a  $\sigma$ -homomorphic image of a  $\sigma$ -algebra of subsets.

In the present paper, we show that every  $\sigma$ -complete MV-algebra is an MV- $\sigma$ -homomorphic image of a tribe, which gives a generalization of the Loomis-Sikorski theorem for  $\sigma$ -complete MV-algebras. In addition, we extended this result also for Dedekind  $\sigma$ -complete  $\ell$ -groups with strong unit.

### 2. MV-algebras

An MV-algebra is a non-empty set  $M$  with two special elements 0 and 1 ( $0 \neq 1$ ), with a binary operation  $\oplus : M \times M \rightarrow M$  and with a unary operation  $*$  :  $M \rightarrow M$  such that, for all  $a, b, c \in M$ , we have

- (MV*i*)  $a \oplus b = b \oplus a$  (commutativity);
- (MV*ii*)  $(a \oplus b) \oplus c = a \oplus (b \oplus c)$  (associativity);
- (MV*iii*)  $a \oplus 0 = a$ ;
- (MV*iv*)  $a \oplus 1 = 1$ ;
- (MV*v*)  $(a^*)^* = a$ ;
- (MV*vi*)  $a \oplus a^* = 1$ ;
- (MV*vii*)  $0^* = 1$ ;
- (MV*viii*)  $(a^* \oplus b)^* \oplus b = (a \oplus b^*)^* \oplus a$ .

We define the following binary operations  $\odot, \vee, \wedge$  as follows:

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{aligned} a \odot b &:= (a^* \oplus b^*)^*, & a, b \in M, \\ a \vee b &:= (a^* \oplus b)^* \oplus b, & a \wedge b := (a^* \vee b^*)^*, & a, b \in M. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $(M; \odot, 1)$  is a semigroup written ‘multiplicatively’ with the neutral element 1.

If, for  $a, b \in M$ , we define

$$a \leq b \Leftrightarrow a = a \wedge b,$$

then  $\leq$  is a partial order on  $M$ , and  $(M; \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$  is a distributive lattice with the least and greatest elements 0 and 1, respectively, [Cha]. We recall that  $a \leq b$  if and only if  $b \oplus a^* = 1$ .

Without loss of generality we write for MV-algebras  $M = (M; \oplus, \odot, *, 0, 1)$ , where  $\odot$  is defined by (2.1).

Similarly, we can define a (total) binary operation  $*$  on  $M$  by

$$a * b := a \odot b^*, \quad a, b \in M.$$

Then

$$a * b = a * (a \wedge b),$$

and  $1 * a = a^*$  for any  $a \in M$ .

Let  $(G; +, 0, \leq)$  be an Abelian  $\ell$ -group with a strong unit  $u$ , that is, given  $v \in G$ , there is an integer  $n \geq 1$  such that  $-nu \leq v \leq nu$ .

Define

$$(2.2) \quad \Gamma(G, u) = \{g \in G : 0 \leq g \leq u\}$$

and set for all  $g_1, g_2, g \in \Gamma(G, u)$

$$\begin{aligned} g_1 \oplus g_2 &= (g_1 + g_2) \wedge u, \\ g_1 \odot g_2 &= (g_1 + g_2 - u) \vee 0, \\ g^* &= u - g. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $(\Gamma(G, u); \oplus, \odot, *, 0, u)$  is an MV-algebra. The famous Mundici result [Mun] says that given an MV-algebra  $M$  there is an Abelian  $\ell$ -group  $G$  with a strong unit  $u$  such that  $M$  is isomorphic with some  $\Gamma(G, u)$ , in addition,  $\Gamma$  defines a categorical equivalence between the category of unital  $\ell$ -groups and the category of MV-algebras. We denote any representation  $\ell$ -group  $(G; +, 0, \leq)$  with a strong unit  $u$  of an MV-algebra as a unital  $\ell$ -group  $G = (G; +, 0, \leq, u)$ , or simply  $G = (G, u)$ .

The case  $M = [0, 1]$ , the real interval of the  $\ell$ -group  $\mathbb{R}$ , that is,  $[0, 1] = \Gamma(\mathbb{R}, 1)$ , is of a particular importance for the study of MV-algebras.

Given an MV-algebra  $M$ , we can introduce a partial binary operation  $+$  in the following way:  $a + b$  is defined if and only if  $a \leq b^*$ , and in this case we put

$$a + b := a \oplus b.$$

It is easy to see that  $a + 0 = 0 + a = a$  for any  $a \in M$ , and  $+$  is commutative, that is, if  $a + b$  is defined in  $M$ , so is  $b + a$ , and  $a + b = b + a$ ;  $+$  is associative, that is, if  $(a + b), (a + b) + c$  are in  $M$  so are defined  $b + c$  and  $a + (b + c)$ , and  $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$ . Identifying the MV-algebra  $M$  with  $\Gamma(G, u)$  via (2.2), we can see that our partial operation  $+$  coincides with the group addition  $+$ .

In addition, we can define a subtraction:  $a - b$  is defined in  $M$  if and only if  $b \leq a$ , and  $a - b = c$  whenever  $b + c = a$ .

A nonvoid subset  $I$  of  $M$  is said to be an *ideal* of  $M$  if

- (i)  $x, y \in I$  imply  $x \oplus y \in I$ ;
- (ii)  $x \in I, y \leq x$  imply  $y \in I$ .

A proper ideal  $A$  of  $M$  is said to be (i) *maximal* if there is no proper ideal of  $M$  containing  $A$  as a proper subset, and (ii) *prime* if  $a \wedge b \in A$  entails  $a \in A$  or  $b \in A$ . Every maximal ideal is prime. Let  $\mathcal{M}(M)$  denote the set of all maximal ideals of  $M$ . Then  $\mathcal{M}(M) \neq \emptyset$ . Denote by

$$\text{Rad}(M) := \bigcap \{A : A \in \mathcal{M}(M)\},$$

and we call  $\text{Rad}(M)$  the *radical* of  $M$ . A nonzero element  $a$  of  $M$  is said to be *infinitesimal* if  $na$  exists in  $M$  for any integer  $n \geq 1$ . The set of all infinitesimals in  $M$  is denoted by  $\text{Infin}(M)$ . Then according to [CDM, Proposition 3.6.4], we have

$$\text{Rad}(M) = \text{Infin}(M) \cup \{0\}.$$

Let  $a$  be an element in  $M$  and  $n$  an integer. We define  $na := a_1 + \dots + a_n$ , where  $a_1 = \dots = a_n = a$ . An MV-algebra  $M$  is said to be (i) *semisimple* if  $\text{Rad}(M) = \{0\}$ ; (ii) *Archimedean* if existence of  $na$  for any  $n \geq 1$  implies  $a = 0$ ; and (iii) *Archimedean in the sense of Belluce* [Bel] if, for each  $a, b \in M$ , if  $n \odot a = a \oplus \dots \oplus a \leq b$  for all  $n \geq 1$  then  $a \odot b = a$ .

We have the following characterization of the Archimedeanity of  $M$  [DvGr].

**PROPOSITION 2.1.** *An MV-algebra  $M$  is Archimedean if and only if its representation  $\ell$ -group  $(G, u)$  is an Archimedean  $\ell$ -group.*

According to Belluce [Bel], we say that a subset  $\mathcal{F} \subseteq [0, 1]^\Omega$ , where  $\Omega \neq \emptyset$ , is a *Bold algebra* if

- (i)  $0_\Omega \in \mathcal{F}$ ;
- (ii)  $f \in \mathcal{F}$  entails  $1_\Omega - f \in \mathcal{F}$ ;
- (iii)  $f, g \in \mathcal{F}$  imply  $f \oplus g \in \mathcal{F}$ , where

$$(2.3) \quad (f \oplus g)(\omega) = \min\{f(\omega) + g(\omega), 1\}, \quad \omega \in \Omega.$$

Then  $\mathcal{F}$  with  $f^* := 1_\Omega - f$  and with  $0_\Omega$  and  $1_\Omega$  is an MV-algebra which is semisimple and Archimedean. In particular, if  $X$  is a topological space, by  $C(X)$  we denote the set of all continuous fuzzy subsets on  $X$ , and any Bold algebra of all continuous fuzzy subsets is of special interest (see (viii) in Theorem 2.3).

An MV-homomorphism of two MV-algebras  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  is any mapping  $h : M_1 \rightarrow M_2$  preserving  $0, 1, \oplus$ , and  $*$ .

A *state* on MV-algebra  $M$  is a mapping  $m : M \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $m(1) = 1$ , and  $m(a + b) = m(a) + m(b)$ , whenever  $a + b$  is defined in  $M$ . Denote by  $\mathcal{S}(M)$  the set of all states on  $M$ , then  $\mathcal{S}(M) \neq \emptyset$ .

A state  $m$  on  $M$  is said to be  $\sigma$ -additive if  $a_n \nearrow a$  entails  $m(a_n) \nearrow m(a)$ .

A *state-homomorphism* is a mapping  $m : M \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $m(1) = 1$ , and  $m(a \oplus b) = \min\{1, m(a) + m(b)\}$ ,  $a, b \in M$ . Any state-homomorphism is a state, but the converse does not hold, in general. There is a one-to-one correspondence between state-homomorphisms and maximal ideals [Mun1, Theorem 2.4], [Goo, Theorem 12.18].

**THEOREM 2.1.** (1) *A state  $m$  on  $M$  is a state-homomorphism if and only if  $\text{Ker}_m := \{a \in M : m(a) = 0\}$  is a maximal ideal.*

(2) *Given a maximal ideal  $A$  of  $M$ , the mapping  $x \mapsto x/A$  is a state-homomorphism.*

(3) *The mapping  $m \mapsto \text{Ker}_m$  is a one-to-one correspondence from the set of all state-homomorphisms on the set of all maximal ideals of  $M$ .*

(4) *A state  $m$  on  $M$  is an extremal point (an extremal state) of the set  $\mathcal{S}(M)$  if and only if  $m$  is a state-homomorphism.*

Denote by  $\text{Ext}(\mathcal{S}(M))$  the set of all extremal states (state-homomorphisms) on  $M$ . Then [Mun1, Theorem 2.5]  $\text{Ext}(\mathcal{S}(M)) \neq \emptyset$  and it is a compact Hausdorff space with respect to the weak topology of states (that is,  $m_\alpha \rightarrow m$  if and only if  $m_\alpha(a) \rightarrow m(a)$  for any  $a \in M$ ), and any state  $m$  on  $M$  is in the closure of the convex hull of  $\text{Ext}(\mathcal{S}(M))$ .

We introduce a topology  $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$  on the set  $\mathcal{M}(M)$  of all maximal ideals of  $M$ . Given an ideal  $I$  of  $M$ , let

$$O(I) := \{A \in \mathcal{M}(M) : A \not\supseteq I\},$$

and let  $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$  be the collection of all subsets of the above form. It is possible to show that  $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$  gives a compact Hausdorff topological space. Moreover, any closed subset of  $\mathcal{M}(X)$  is of the form

$$C(I) = \{A \in \mathcal{M}(M) : A \supseteq I\},$$

where  $I$  is any ideal of  $M$ . It is worth recalling that  $\mathcal{M}(M)$  and  $\text{Ext}(\mathcal{S}(M))$  are homeomorphic spaces; the homeomorphism is given by  $m \mapsto \text{Ker}_m$ ,  $m \in \text{Ext}(\mathcal{S}(M))$ , [Goo, Theorem 15.32].

A nonvoid subset  $\mathcal{S}$  of  $\mathcal{S}(M)$  is said to be *order-determining* if  $m(a) \leq m(b)$  for any  $m \in \mathcal{S}$  imply  $a \leq b$ .

The following characterizations of semisimple MV-algebras can be found in [DvGr, Bel, Mun1].

**THEOREM 2.2.** *Let  $M$  be an MV-algebra. The following statements are equivalent.*

- (i)  *$M$  is semisimple;*

- (ii)  $M$  is Archimedean;
- (iii)  $M$  is Archimedean in the sense of Belluce;
- (iv) There exists an order-determining system of state-homomorphisms on  $M$ ;
- (v) There exists an order-determining system of states on  $M$ ;
- (vi)  $M$  is isomorphic to some Bold algebra of fuzzy subsets of some  $\Omega \neq \emptyset$ ;
- (vii)  $M$  is isomorphic to some Bold algebra of continuous functions defined on some compact Hausdorff spaces  $X$ ;
- (viii)  $M$  is isomorphic to some Bold algebra of  $C(\mathcal{M}(M))$ , the set of all continuous fuzzy subsets defined on  $\mathcal{M}(M)$ .

Let  $M$  be semisimple. The property (vi) means the following: Let  $a \in M$  and  $A \in \mathcal{M}(M)$ . Then  $a \mapsto \bar{a}$ , where  $\bar{a} \in [0, 1]^{\mathcal{M}(M)}$  is defined as follows

$$(2.4) \quad \bar{a}(A) := a/A, \quad A \in \mathcal{M}(M),$$

is an MV-isomorphism between  $M$  and  $\{\bar{a} : a \in M\}$ . We recall that if  $A$  is a maximal ideal of  $M$ , then using Hölder’s theorem, [Bir, Theorem XIII.12]  $a/A, a \in M$ , can be represented as a number in  $[0, 1]$ .

Or, equivalently, since there is a one-to-one correspondence between  $\text{Ext}(\mathcal{S}(M))$  and  $\mathcal{M}(M)$  given by the homeomorphism  $m \mapsto \text{Ker}_m$ , we have the embedding  $a \mapsto \hat{a}$ , of  $M$  into  $[0, 1]^M$ , where  $\hat{a}$  is defined as follows

$$(2.5) \quad \hat{a}(m) := m(a), \quad m \in \text{Ext}(\mathcal{S}(M)).$$

### 3. $\sigma$ -complete MV-algebras and tribes

The following forms of distributive laws are known.

PROPOSITION 3.1. *Let  $\bigvee_i a_i$  be defined in  $M$ . Then for any  $b \in M$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned} b \wedge \left( \bigvee_i a_i \right) &= \bigvee_i (b \wedge a_i), \\ \left( \bigvee_i a_i \right) \odot b^* &= \bigvee_i (a_i \odot b^*), \\ b \odot \left( \bigvee_i a_i \right)^* &= \bigwedge_i (b \odot a_i^*). \end{aligned}$$

*The equalities hold in the sense that the expressions on the right-hand side exist, and are equal to the left-hand ones.*

We recall that an  $\ell$ -group  $G$  is *Dedekind  $\sigma$ -complete* if, for any sequence  $\{g_n\}_n$  of elements of  $G$  with an upper bound in  $G$ ,  $\bigvee_n g_n \in G$ ; similarly for Dedekind complete.

We say that an MV-algebra  $M$  is  $\sigma$ -complete (*complete*) if  $M$  is a  $\sigma$ -complete (complete) lattice.  $M$  is  $\sigma$ -complete (complete) if and only if  $G$  is Dedekind  $\sigma$ -complete (complete)  $\ell$ -group, where  $M = \Gamma(G, u)$ , [Jak], [Goo, Proposition 16.9]. An MV- $\sigma$ -homomorphism is any MV-homomorphism of  $\sigma$ -complete MV-algebras preserving also countable joins (and meets).

We give another proof of the following statement (see for example [Cig, Lemma 2.1]).

**PROPOSITION 3.2.** *Any  $\sigma$ -complete MV-algebra is Archimedean.*

**PROOF.** Assume that  $na$  is defined in  $M$  for any integer  $n \geq 1$ . For any integer  $k$ , we have  $(k + 1)a \leq \bigvee_{n=1}^\infty na$  so that  $ka \leq (\bigvee_{n=1}^\infty na) - a$  which entails  $\bigvee_{k=1}^\infty ka \leq (\bigvee_{n=1}^\infty na) - a$  whence  $a = 0$ . □

The following notion is a direct generalization of a  $\sigma$ -algebra of crisp subsets.

A *tribe* of fuzzy sets on a set  $\Omega \neq \emptyset$  is a nonvoid system  $\mathcal{F} \subseteq [0, 1]^\Omega$  such that

- (i)  $1_\Omega \in \mathcal{F}$ ;
- (ii) if  $a \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $1 - a \in \mathcal{F}$ ;
- (iii) if  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is a sequence of elements of  $\mathcal{F}$ , then

$$\min \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^\infty a_n, 1 \right\} \in \mathcal{F}.$$

(We recall that all above operations with fuzzy sets are defined pointwisely on  $\Omega$ .)

By [RiNe, Proposition 3.13], if  $\mathcal{F}$  is a tribe and if  $a, b \in \mathcal{F}$ , then (i)  $a \vee b = \max\{a, b\}$ ,  $a \wedge b = \min\{a, b\}$ , (ii)  $b - a \in \mathcal{F}$  if  $a \leq b$ , that is, if  $a(\omega) \leq b(\omega)$  for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ , (iii) if  $a_n \in \mathcal{F}$ , and  $a_n \nearrow a$  (pointwisely), then  $a = \lim_n a_n \in \mathcal{F}$ . It is simple to verify that  $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $\sigma$ -complete MV-algebra of fuzzy sets, where the partial order is determined by the set-theoretical ordering, with the least and greatest elements  $0_\Omega$  and  $1_\Omega$ , respectively. Moreover, the system  $\{s_\omega : \omega \in \Omega\}$ , where  $s_\omega(f) := f_\cdot(\omega)$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{F}$ , is an order-determining system of  $\sigma$ -additive states on  $\mathcal{F}$ .

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a family of fuzzy subsets of  $\Omega$ . We define  $\mathcal{F}_0 := \mathcal{F} \cup \{0_\Omega, 1_\Omega\}$ , and for any ordinal number  $\alpha > 0$ , we define

$$\mathcal{F}_\alpha = \left( \bigcup_{\beta < \alpha} \mathcal{F}_\beta \right)^*$$

where the family  $\mathcal{C}^*$  denotes the set of all functions of the form  $\min \{ \sum_{n=1}^\infty f_n, 1 \}$ , where either  $f_n$  or  $1 - f_n \in \mathcal{C}$  for any  $n \geq 1$ . Then

- (i)  $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{F}_\beta \subseteq \mathcal{F}_\alpha \subseteq \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F})$  for  $0 < \beta < \alpha$ , where  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F})$  is a tribe generated by  $\mathcal{F}$ ;
- (ii)  $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{F}) = \bigcup_{\beta < \omega_1} \mathcal{F}_\beta$ , where  $\omega_1$  is the first uncountable ordinal number.

The following result characterizes the tribe generated by  $C(X)$ , the space of all continuous fuzzy functions on  $X$ , where  $X$  is a compact Hausdorff space. We recall that by  $\mathcal{B}(X)$  we mean the Baire  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by compact  $G_\delta$  sets on  $X$ , or equivalently, by  $\{f^{-1}([a, \infty)) : f \in C(X), a \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.3.** *Let  $X$  be a compact Hausdorff space. Let  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  be the tribe generated by  $C(X)$ , and let  $\mathcal{M}(X)$  be the set of all Baire measurable fuzzy sets on  $X$ . Then  $\mathcal{F}(X) = \mathcal{M}(X)$ .*

**PROOF.** It is obvious that  $\mathcal{M}(X)$  is a tribe containing  $C(X)$  hence,  $\mathcal{F}(X) \subseteq \mathcal{M}(X)$ . Let  $\mathcal{S}_\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{S}_\mathcal{M}$  be the systems of all crisp subsets  $A \subseteq X$  such that  $\chi_A \in \mathcal{F}(X)$  and  $\chi_A \in \mathcal{M}(X)$ , respectively. Then  $\mathcal{S}_\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{S}_\mathcal{M}$  are  $\sigma$ -algebras of subsets of  $X$ , and  $\mathcal{S}_\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{S}_\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(X)$ .

Since each  $f \in \mathcal{F}(X)$  is  $\mathcal{S}_\mathcal{F}$ -measurable, then each  $f \in C(X)$  is  $\mathcal{S}_\mathcal{F}$ -measurable, so that  $\mathcal{B}(X) \subseteq \mathcal{S}_\mathcal{F}$ .

On the other hand, because  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  contains  $C(X)$ ,  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  contains all constant functions taking values in the interval  $[0, 1]$ . By [RiNe, Theorem 8.1.4], this is a necessary and sufficient condition in order  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  consists of all  $\mathcal{S}_\mathcal{F}$ -measurable fuzzy subsets of  $X$ . Consequently,  $\mathcal{F}(X) = \mathcal{M}(X)$ . □

### 4. Loomis-Sikorski Theorem

In the present section, we give a generalization of the Loomis-Sikorski theorem for  $\sigma$ -complete MV-algebras. Before it we present partial results.

For any  $a \in M$ , we put

$$(4.1) \quad M(a) := \{A \in \mathcal{M}(M) : a \notin A\}.$$

Then  $\{M(a) : a \in M\}$  is a base of  $\mathcal{S}_\mathcal{M}$  of the compact Hausdorff space  $\mathcal{M}(M)$ , and for  $a, b \in M$ ,

- (i)  $M(0) = \emptyset$ ;
- (ii)  $M(a) \subseteq M(b)$  whenever  $a \leq b$ ;
- (iii)  $M(a \wedge b) = M(a) \cap M(b)$ ,  $M(a \vee b) = M(a) \cup M(b)$ .

An element  $a \in M$  is *idempotent* if and only if  $a \vee a^* = 1$ . It is possible to show that  $a$  is idempotent if and only if  $a \oplus a = a$  if and only if  $a \odot a = a$  if and only if  $a \wedge a^* = 0$ . Denote by  $B(M)$  the set of all idempotent elements of  $M$ .



PROPOSITION 4.1. *B(M) is a Boolean algebra with the least and greatest elements 0 and 1 and with unary operation \* taken from M. In addition, if  $\bigvee_i a_i$  of elements  $\{a_i\}$  of B(M) exists in M, then  $\bigvee_i a_i \in B(M)$ . Consequently, if M is  $\sigma$ -complete or complete, so is B(M).*

PROOF. Let  $\{a_i\}$  be a family of elements of B(M) such  $a = \bigvee_i a_i \in M$ . Then

$$a \wedge a^* = \bigvee_i (a_i \wedge a^*) \leq \bigvee_i (a_i \wedge a_i^*) = 0. \quad \square$$

PROPOSITION 4.2. *For any  $a \in M$ ,*

$$M(a)^c \subseteq M(a^*).$$

*If a is idempotent, then  $M(a)^c = M(a^*)$ . In general, if  $a \leq b$ , then*

$$M(b) \setminus M(a) \subseteq M(b * a).$$

*If a and b are idempotent,  $a \leq b$ , then  $b * a^* = b \wedge a^*$  and  $M(b) \setminus M(a) = M(b * a)$ .  
If M is semisimple, then a is idempotent if and only if  $M(a^*) = M(a)^c$ .*

PROOF. Let  $a \leq b$ . Take  $A \in M(b) \setminus M(a)$ . Then  $b \notin A$  and  $a \in A$ . We claim that  $b * a \notin A$ . If not, then  $b * a \in A$  so that  $b = a + (b * a) \in A$  which is a contradiction.

Let a and b be two idempotent elements of M and take  $A \in M(b * a)$ . Then  $b * a \notin A$  and  $b \notin A$ . Since A is a prime ideal of M, then  $0 = (b * a) \wedge a \in A$  entails  $a \in A$  so that  $A \in M(b) \setminus M(a)$ . The first condition follows from the above.

Let M be semisimple and  $M(a^*) = M(a)^c$ . Then for any maximal ideal I of M either  $a \in I$  or  $a^* \in I$  which entails  $a \wedge a^* \in I$ , and the semisimplicity of M gives  $a \wedge a^* = 0$ . □

REMARK 4.1. We recall that if M(a) is clopen, then not necessary  $M(a^*) = M(a)^c$ . Indeed, take  $M = [0, 1]$ . Then  $\mathcal{M}(M) = \{\{0\}\}$ , and for any nonzero  $a \in M$ ,  $M(a) = \mathcal{M}(M)$  is clopen, and  $M(a)^c = \emptyset$ .

Similarly, if M is not semisimple, then the equality  $M(a^*) = M(a)^c$  does not entail that a is idempotent. Indeed, take the Chang MV-algebra [Cha]  $M = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n, \dots, \dot{n}, \dots, \dot{2}, \dot{1}, \dot{0}\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{M}(M) = \{\{0, 1, \dots\}\}$ , and  $M(1) = \emptyset = M(\dot{1})^c$  and 1 is not idempotent.

A topological space  $\Omega$  is said to be

- (i) *totally disconnected* if every two different points are separated by a clopen subset of  $\Omega$ ;
- (ii) *basically disconnected* if the closure of every open  $F_\sigma$  subset of  $\Omega$  is open;

(iii) *extremally disconnected* if the closure of every open set is open.

PROPOSITION 4.3. *If  $M$  is a  $\sigma$ -complete or complete MV-algebra, then the space  $\mathcal{M}(M)$  is basically disconnected or extremally disconnected, respectively.*

PROOF. Since  $M$  is  $\sigma$ -complete (complete) if and only if its representation  $\ell$ -group  $G$  is Dedekind  $\sigma$ -complete (complete), according to [Goo, Theorem 8.14], the space  $\text{Ext}(\mathcal{S}(M))$  is homeomorphic with the set  $\mathcal{M}(B(M))$  of all maximal ideals of the Boolean algebra  $B(M)$ . Hence, by [Sik, Theorem 22.4], a Boolean algebra is  $\sigma$ -complete (complete) if and only if  $\mathcal{M}(B(M))$  is basically disconnected (extremally disconnected). □

PROPOSITION 4.4. *Let  $M$  be a semisimple MV-algebra. If  $a = \bigvee_t a_t \in M$ , then*

$$M(a) \setminus \bigcup_t M(a_t),$$

where  $M(a)$  is defined by (3.1), is a nowhere dense subset of  $\mathcal{M}(M)$ .

PROOF. Let  $a = \bigvee_t a_t$  and suppose  $M(a) \setminus \bigcup_t M(a_t)$  is not nowhere dense. Since  $\{M(a) : a \in M\}$  is a base of the topological space  $\mathcal{M}(M)$ , there exists a nonzero element  $b \in M$  such that  $\emptyset \neq M(b) \subseteq M(a) \setminus \bigcup_t M(a_t)$ . Due to  $M(b) = M(b) \cap M(a) = M(b \wedge a)$ , we take  $b_0 := b \wedge a$  which is a nonzero element of  $M$ . Then  $M(b_0) \cap M(a_t) = \emptyset$  for any  $t$ , so that  $M(b_0 \wedge a_t) = \emptyset$  and the semisimplicity of  $M$  yields  $b_0 \wedge a_t = 0$  for any  $t$ .

Then

$$b_0 = b_0 \wedge a = b_0 \wedge \bigvee_t a_t = \bigvee_t (b_0 \wedge a_t) = 0,$$

which gives  $M(b) = \emptyset$ , a contradiction, so that our assumption was false, and consequently,  $M(a) \setminus \bigcup_t M(a_t)$  is a nowhere dense set. □

We recall that the converse to Proposition 4.4 is not true for any semisimple MV-algebra. Take  $M = [0, 1]$ , then  $M(0.3) \setminus (M(0.1) \cup M(0.2)) = \emptyset$  but  $0.3 \neq 0.1 \vee 0.2$ .

PROPOSITION 4.5. *Let  $M$  be a semisimple MV-algebra and let  $a_t \leq a$  for any  $t$ . If  $\bigcap_t M(a * a_t)$  is a nowhere dense subset of  $\mathcal{M}(M)$ , then  $a = \bigvee_t a_t$ .*

PROOF. It is clear that in order to prove  $a = \bigvee_t a_t$  it is sufficient to verify that  $a_t \leq b \leq a$  for any  $t$  implies  $b = a$ .

So let  $\bigcap_t M(a * a_t)$  be nowhere dense, and let  $b \neq a$  for some  $b \geq a_t, b \leq a$ . Then  $a * b \neq 0$  and  $M(b * a)$  is a nonempty open subsets of  $\mathcal{M}(M)$ . By assumptions,

there exists a nonzero open subset  $O \subseteq M(b * a)$  such that  $O \cap \bigcap_i M(a * a_i) = \emptyset$ . Consequently, there is a nonzero element  $c \in M$  such that  $M(c) \subseteq O$ . Hence, for any  $I \in M(c) \subseteq M(a * b)$ , we have  $c \notin I$ ,  $a * b \notin I$  and  $I \notin \bigcap_i M(a * a_i)$ . This entails that there is an index  $t$  such that  $a * a_t \in I$ . Since  $a_t \leq b$ , we have  $a * b \leq a * a_t \in I$  which implies  $a * b \in I$ , and this is a contradiction with  $a * b \notin I$ . Finally, our assumption  $b < a$  was false, and whence  $b = a$ , and  $a = \bigvee_i a_i$ .  $\square$

The converse statement holds, for example, if  $\{a_i\}$  is a system of idempotents, Proposition 4.2 and Proposition 4.4. We recall that the converse to Proposition 4.5 is not true for any semisimple MV-algebra. Take  $M = [0, 1]$ , then  $\mathcal{M}(M) = \{\{0\}\}$ . If  $a_n = 0.5 - 1/n$ , then  $\bigvee_n a_n = a := 0.5$ , and  $M(a * a_n) = M(1/n) = \mathcal{M}(M)$  for any  $n \geq 1$ , so that  $\bigcap_n M(a * a_n)$  is not nowhere dense.

It is worth recalling that if  $M$  is a Boolean algebra, then  $a = \bigvee_i a_i$  if and only if  $\bigcap_i M(a * a_i) = M(a) \setminus \bigcup_i M(a_i)$  is a nowhere dense set, and this observation is a corner stone for the Loomis-Sikorski theorem. As we have seen, for semisimple MV-algebras, the analogical statement is not true, in general. Hence, for the validity of the Loomis-Sikorski theorem on  $\sigma$ -complete MV-algebras we have to develop below a more detailed analysis of  $\sigma$ -complete MV-algebras.

Let  $a \in M$  and  $k \geq 1$ . We define

$$k \odot a = a_1 \oplus \dots \oplus a_k,$$

where  $a_1 = \dots = a_k = a$ .

PROPOSITION 4.6. *For any  $a \in M$ ,*

$$M(a) = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} M((k \odot a)^*)^c.$$

*If, in addition,  $M$  is  $\sigma$ -complete, then the closure of any  $M(a)$  is open.*

PROOF. If  $a = 0$ , the statement is evident. Let now  $a \neq 0$ . Let  $I \in M(a)$ . Then  $a \notin I$ , and consequently, there is an integer  $k \geq 1$  such that  $(k \odot a)^* \in I$ , and  $I \in M((k \odot a)^*)^c$ .

Conversely, let  $I \in \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} M((k \odot a)^*)^c$ . There exists an integer  $k \geq 1$  such that  $I \in M((k \odot a)^*)^c$ . Hence,  $(k \odot a)^* \in I$ . Since  $I$  is a maximal ideal, we conclude that  $a \notin I$ .

The second part of the assertion follows from Proposition 4.3 and from the fact that  $M(a)$  is an open  $F_\sigma$  set.  $\square$

REMARK 4.2. We recall that a Boolean algebra  $M$  is  $\sigma$ -complete (complete) if and only if  $\mathcal{M}(M)$  is basically disconnected (extremally disconnected) [Sik, Theorem 22.4]. For MV-algebras such assertion is not true, in general. Indeed, take the

Chang MV-algebra [Cha]  $M = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n, \dots, \dot{n}, \dots, \dot{2}, \dot{1}, \dot{0}\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{M}(M) = \{\{0, 1, \dots\}\}$ , and it is basically disconnected (extremally disconnected) but  $M$  is not  $\sigma$ -complete.

PROPOSITION 4.7. *An element  $a$  of a semisimple MV-algebra  $M$  is idempotent if and only if  $\bar{a}$  is a characteristic function.*

PROOF. Let  $a \in B(M)$ . For any maximal ideal  $A$  of  $M$ , from  $0 = a \wedge a^* \in A$  we conclude that either  $a \in A$  or  $a^* \in A$  which implies that  $\bar{a}(A) \in \{0, 1\}$ . Conversely, let  $\bar{a}$  be a characteristic function. Then  $\bar{a}(A) = a/A$  is either 0 or 1, or equivalently, either  $a \in A$  or  $a^* \in A$ . Hence  $a \wedge a^* \in A$  for any  $A \in \mathcal{M}(M)$ , and the semisimplicity of  $M$  entails  $a \wedge a^* = 0$ . □

For a bounded function  $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  on a topological space  $X$  we define

$$(4.2) \quad \tilde{g}(x) = \inf_{U \in \mathcal{N}(x)} \sup\{g(y) : y \in U\},$$

where  $\mathcal{N}(x)$  is the system of open neighbourhoods for  $x \in X$ . Then

- (i)  $g(x) \leq \tilde{g}(x)$  for any  $x \in X$ ;
- (ii)  $\tilde{g}(x) = g(x)$  if  $g$  is continuous in  $x$ .

If  $D(g)$  is the set of discontinuity points for  $g$ , then

$$(4.3) \quad \{x \in X : g(x) \neq \tilde{g}(x)\} \subseteq D(g) = \bigcup_n \{g^{-1}(R_n) - \text{Int}(g^{-1}(R_n))\},$$

where  $\{R_n\}$  is an open basis in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $f$  be a real-valued function on  $\Omega \neq \emptyset$ . We define

$$N(f) := \{\omega \in \Omega : |f(\omega)| > 0\}.$$

Suppose that  $\mathcal{F}$  is a Bold algebra of fuzzy sets on  $\Omega$ . Then for all  $f, g \in \mathcal{F}$  we have

- (i)  $N(f \oplus g) = N(f) \cup N(g)$ ;
- (ii)  $N(f * g) = \{\omega \in \Omega : f(\omega) > g(\omega)\}$ ;
- (iii)  $(f * g) \oplus (g * f) = (f * g) + (g * f)$ ;
- (iv)  $N((f * g) \oplus (g * f)) = N(f - g)$ ;
- (v)  $N(f) \subseteq N(g)$  if  $f \leq g$ .

We recall that if  $M$  is a semisimple algebra, then

$$M(a) = \{I \in \mathcal{M}(M) : a \notin I\} = N(\bar{a}).$$

Now we are ready to formulate the main result, the representation Loomis-Sikorski theorem for  $\sigma$ -complete MV-algebras.

**THEOREM 4.1 (Loomis-Sikorski Theorem).** *For every  $\sigma$ -complete MV-algebra  $M$  there exist a tribe  $\mathcal{F}$  of fuzzy sets and an MV- $\sigma$ -homomorphism  $h$  from  $\mathcal{F}$  onto  $M$ .*

**PROOF.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be the tribe of fuzzy sets on  $\text{Ext}(\mathcal{S}(M))$  generated by the Bold algebra  $\{\hat{a} : a \in M\}$ . Consider by  $\mathcal{F}'$  the class of all functions  $f \in \mathcal{F}$  with the property that for some  $b \in M$ ,  $N((f * \hat{b}) \oplus (\hat{b} * f))$  is a meager set.

If  $b_1$  and  $b_2$  are two elements of  $M$  such that  $N((f * \hat{b}_i) \oplus (\hat{b}_i * f))$  is a meager set for  $i = 1, 2$ . Then

$$N((\hat{b}_1 * \hat{b}_2) \oplus (\hat{b}_2 * \hat{b}_1)) = N(\hat{b}_1 - \hat{b}_2) \subseteq N(\hat{b}_1 - f) \cup N(f - \hat{b}_2)$$

is a meager set. Due to the Baire theorem saying that any non-empty open set of a compact Hausdorff space cannot be a meager set, we conclude that  $\hat{b}_1 = \hat{b}_2$ , that is,  $b_1 = b_2$ .

It is clear that  $\mathcal{F}'$  is closed under the formation of complement  $f \mapsto 1 - f$  and it is a Bold algebra containing  $\{\hat{a} : a \in M\}$ .

To show that  $\mathcal{F}'$  is a tribe is necessary to verify that  $\mathcal{F}'$  is closed under limits of non-decreasing sequences from  $\mathcal{F}'$ .

Let  $\{f_n\}_n$  be a sequence of non-decreasing elements from  $\mathcal{F}'$ . Choose  $b_n \in M$  such that  $N(f_n - \hat{b}_n)$  is a meager set. Without loss of generality we can assume that  $b_n \leq b_{n+1}$ . Denote  $f = \lim_n f_n$ ,  $b = \bigvee_{n=1}^\infty b_n$ ,  $b_0 = \lim_n \hat{b}_n$ . Then  $f, b_0 \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $b \in M$ . We have

$$N(f - \hat{b}) \subseteq N(f - b_0) \cup N(\hat{b} - b_0)$$

and  $N(f - b_0) = \{m : f(m) < b_0(m)\} \cup \{m : b_0(m) < f(m)\}$ .

If  $m \in \{m : f(m) < b_0(m)\}$ , then there is an integer  $n \geq 1$  such that  $f(m) < \hat{b}_n(m) \leq b_0(m)$ . Hence  $f_n(m) \leq f(m) < \hat{b}_n(m) \leq b_0(m)$  so that  $m \in \{m : f_n(m) < \hat{b}_n(m)\}$ .

Similarly, we can prove that if  $m \in \{m : b_0(m) < f(m)\}$ , then there is an integer  $n \geq 1$  such that  $m \in \{m : \hat{b}_n(m) < f_n(m)\}$ .

The last two cases imply

$$N(f - b_0) \subseteq \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty N(\hat{b}_n - f_n)$$

which is a meager set.

Apply now (4.1) to the function  $b_0$  to obtain  $\tilde{b}_0$ , that is

$$\tilde{b}_0(m) := \inf_{U \in \mathcal{N}(m)} \sup\{b_0(y) : y \in U\}.$$

Since  $\text{Ext}(\mathcal{S}(M))$  is basically disconnected, compact, Hausdorff, and  $b_0^{-1}(\alpha, \infty) = \bigcup_n \hat{b}_n^{-1}(\alpha, \infty)$  for any  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $b_0^{-1}(\alpha, \infty)$  is an open  $F_\sigma$  set, by [Goo, Lemma 9.1],

$\tilde{b}_0$  is continuous. Since  $b_0$  is a point limit of a sequence of continuous functions, by [Kur, pp. 86, 405–6],  $D(b_0) \supseteq N(\tilde{b}_0 - b_0)$  is a meager set,

$$b_0 \leq \tilde{b}_0 \leq \hat{b},$$

and  $N(\hat{b} - b_0) \subseteq N(\hat{b} - \tilde{b}_0) \cup D(b_0)$ .

Finally we show  $\tilde{b}_0 = \hat{b}$ . Define  $\mathcal{C}(X)$ , where  $X = \text{Ext}(\mathcal{S}(M))$ , as the set of all continuous real valued functions defined on  $X$ . Since  $X$  is a basically disconnected, compact, Hausdorff space,  $\mathcal{C}(X)$  is a Dedekind  $\sigma$ -complete  $\ell$ -group with a strong unit  $1_X$ , [Goo, Corollary 9.3]. Using Mundici’s functor  $\Gamma$ , we see that the system of all continuous fuzzy functions on  $X$ ,  $C(X) = \Gamma(\mathcal{C}(X), 1_X)$  is a  $\sigma$ -complete MV-algebra. Applying [Goo, Lemma 9.12], we conclude the mapping  $a \mapsto \hat{a}$ ,  $a \in M$  preserves countable suprema and infima. Consequently,  $\tilde{b}_0 = \hat{b}$ , which proves that  $\mathcal{F}'$  is a tribe, and whence,  $\mathcal{F}' = \mathcal{F}$ .

Due to definition of  $\mathcal{F}'$ , for any  $f \in \mathcal{F}$  there is a unique element  $h(f) := b \in M$  such that  $N(f - \hat{b})$  is meager, which proves that  $h : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow M$  is a surjective MV- $\sigma$ -homomorphism in question. □

We recall that if  $M$  is an atomic  $\sigma$ -complete MV-algebra with the countable set of atoms, then  $M$  is  $\sigma$ -isomorphic with some tribe [DCR].

### 5. Loomis-Sikorski theorem for Dedekind $\sigma$ -complete $\ell$ -groups

In the present section, we apply the Loomis-Sikorski theorem for MV-algebras to Dedekind  $\sigma$ -complete  $\ell$ -groups.

A *g-tribe* is a nonvoid system  $\mathcal{T}$  of bounded functions on  $\Omega \neq \emptyset$  such that

- (i)  $0_\Omega, 1_\Omega \in \mathcal{T}$ ;
- (ii)  $f \pm g \in \mathcal{T}$  whenever  $f, g \in \mathcal{T}$ ;
- (iii) if  $\{f_n\}_n$  is a sequence of elements from  $\mathcal{T}$  for which there exists  $f \in \mathcal{T}$  with  $f_n \leq f$  (pointwisely),  $n \geq 1$ , then  $\sup_n f_n \in \mathcal{T}$ .

It is evident that  $\mathcal{T}$  with respect to the pointwise ordering  $f \leq g$  if and only if  $f(\omega) \leq g(\omega)$  for every  $\omega \in \Omega$  is a Dedekind  $\sigma$ -complete  $\ell$ -group with strong unit  $1_\Omega$ . In addition,  $\Gamma(\mathcal{T}, 1_\Omega) := \{f \in \mathcal{T} : 0_\Omega \leq f \leq 1_\Omega\}$  is a tribe of fuzzy functions.

Let  $(G, u)$  be an  $\ell$ -group with strong unit  $u$ . A *state* on  $G$  is any mapping  $s : G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $s(g_1 + g_2) = s(g_1) + s(g_2)$ ,  $s(u) = 1$ ,  $s(g) \geq 0$  for  $g \in G^+$ .

If  $m$  is a state on  $M = \Gamma(G, u)$ , then it can be uniquely extended to a state  $\hat{m}$  on  $G$  and conversely, any restriction of a state  $s$  on  $G$  to  $M$  gives a state on  $M$ .

Let  $\mathcal{S}(G, u)$  denote the set of all states on  $(G, u)$ . Then there exists a one-to-one correspondence  $m \leftrightarrow \hat{m}$  between  $\mathcal{S}(M)$  and  $\mathcal{S}(G, u)$ , and extremal points of  $\mathcal{S}(M)$  are mapped onto extremal points of  $\mathcal{S}(G, u)$  and vice-versa. In addition, this mapping

is a homeomorphism. Since an  $\ell$ -group is Dedekind  $\sigma$ -complete if and only if  $M$  is a  $\sigma$ -complete MV-algebra, we conclude that if  $G$  is Dedekind  $\sigma$ -complete, then the set  $X = \text{Ext}(\mathcal{S}(G, u))$ , the set of all extremal points of  $\mathcal{S}(G, u)$ , is a compact Hausdorff basically disconnected space.

A state  $s$  on  $(G, u)$  is *discrete* if  $s(G) = 1/n\mathbb{Z}$  for some integer  $n \geq 1$ , where  $\mathbb{Z}$  is the set of all integers.

We recall that an  $\ell$ -group  $\sigma$ -homomorphism  $\hat{h}$  from  $\mathcal{T}$  onto  $G$  means: (i)  $\hat{h}(f \pm g) = \hat{h}(f) \pm \hat{h}(g)$ ; (ii)  $\hat{h}(\sup_n f_n) = \bigvee_n \hat{h}(f_n)$ ; (iii)  $\hat{h}(1_X) = u$ .

Now we present an analogue of the Loomis-Sikorski theorem for Dedekind  $\sigma$ -complete  $\ell$ -group.

**THEOREM 5.1.** *For any Dedekind  $\sigma$ -complete  $\ell$ -group  $G$  with strong unit  $u$  there exists a  $g$ -tribe  $\mathcal{T}$  of bounded functions on a compact Hausdorff space  $X$  and an  $\ell$ -group  $\sigma$ -homomorphism  $\hat{h}$  from  $\mathcal{T}$  onto  $G$  with  $\hat{h}(1_X) = u$ .*

**PROOF.** Put  $X = \text{Ext}(\mathcal{S}(G, u))$  and let  $\mathcal{C}(X)$  be the set of all continuous functions on the compact space  $X$ . Denote by

$$(5.1) \quad B = \{f \in \mathcal{C}(X) : f(s) \in s(G) \text{ for all discrete states } s \in X\}.$$

Then  $B$  is an  $\ell$ -group with strong unit  $1_X$ . According to [Goo, Corollary 9.14], the mapping  $\psi : G \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(X)$ , defined by  $\psi(g)(s) := s(g)$ ,  $g \in G$  ( $s \in X$ ), defines an isomorphism of  $(G, u)$  onto  $(B, 1_X)$  (as ordered groups with ordered unit).

Let  $\mathcal{T}(B)$  be the  $g$ -tribe generated by  $B$ . We assert that for the tribe  $\mathcal{F}(M)$  of fuzzy sets generated by the set  $\hat{M} := \{\psi(g) : g \in M\}$ , where  $M = \Gamma(G, u)$ , we have

$$(5.2) \quad \mathcal{F}(M) = \Gamma(\mathcal{T}(B), 1_X).$$

*Step 1.* Since for any  $g \in G$ ,  $\psi(g) \in \mathcal{F}(M)$  and  $\psi(g) \in \Gamma(\mathcal{T}(B), 1_X)$ , we conclude from the fact that  $\Gamma(\mathcal{T}(B), 1_X)$  is a tribe containing  $C(X)$  that

$$(5.3) \quad \mathcal{F}(M) \subseteq \Gamma(\mathcal{T}(B), 1_X).$$

Let now  $G(\mathcal{F}(M))$  be an  $\ell$ -group generated by  $\mathcal{F}(M)$ . In view of (5.3), we have

$$(5.4) \quad G(\mathcal{F}(M)) \subseteq \mathcal{T}(B).$$

*Step 2.* Since  $1_X$  is a strong unit for  $G(\mathcal{F}(M))$ , to prove that  $G(\mathcal{F}(M))$  is closed under  $\sup_n f_n$  for every sequence  $\{f_n\}_n$  of element from  $G(\mathcal{F}(M))$  with an upper bound in  $G(\mathcal{F}(M))$ , it is sufficient to verify that for each sequence  $\{f_n\}_n$  of functions belonging to  $[0, k1_X]$  for  $k \geq 1$ .

We proceed by induction on  $k$ . The case  $k = 1$  is trivial. Suppose now that  $k > 1$  and that the interval  $[0, (k - 1)1_X]$  is closed under  $\sup_n$ . Since  $[(k - 1)1_X, k1_X]$  is isomorphic to  $[0, 1_X]$ , we conclude that  $[(k - 1)1_X, k1_X]$  is closed under  $\sup_n$ .

Let  $\{f_n\}_n$  be a sequence of functions of  $[0, k1_X]$ . For any  $k \geq 1$ , we put

$$f_n^1 = \min\{f_n, a\}, \quad f_n^2 = \max\{f_n, a\},$$

where  $a = (n - 1)1_X$ . Then  $f_n = f_n^1 + (f_n^2 - a)$  for each  $n \geq 1$ . Define  $f^1 = \sup_n f_n^1$  and  $f^2 = \sup_n f_n^2$  and  $f = f^1 + f^2$ . Then  $f^1 \in [0, (k - 1)1_X]$ ,  $f^2 \in [(k - 1)1_X, k1_X]$  and  $f \geq f_n$  for each  $n \geq 1$ . Let now  $s \in X$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then there exists an integer  $n \geq 1$  such that  $f^i(s) - f_n^i(s) \leq \epsilon/2$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . Hence  $f(s) - f_n(s) = f^1(s) - f_n^1(s) + f^2(s) - f_n^2(s) < \epsilon$  which proves that  $f = \sup_n f_n$ . Similarly we prove that  $\inf_n f_n$  exists in  $[0, k1_X]$ .

Step 3. In fact we have verified that  $G(\mathcal{F}(M))$  is a  $g$ -tribe containing  $B$  which entails

$$(5.5) \quad \mathcal{T}(B) \subseteq G(\mathcal{F}(M)),$$

which by (5.4) yields  $\mathcal{T}(B) = G(\mathcal{F}(M))$ , consequently,  $\mathcal{F}(M) = \Gamma(\mathcal{T}(B), 1_X)$ .

Step 4. By the Loomis-Sikorski Theorem 4.1, there exists an MV- $\sigma$ -homomorphism  $h$  from  $\mathcal{F}(M)$  onto  $M$ . Using arguments of Mundici’s categorical equivalence of  $\ell$ -groups with strong unit with MV-algebras, given by  $M \leftrightarrow \Gamma(G, u)$ , see (2.2), we conclude that there exists an extension  $\hat{h}$  of  $h$  from  $\mathcal{T}(B)$  onto  $G$  such that  $\hat{h}$  is an  $\ell$ -group homomorphism, that is, for  $\hat{h}$  we have (i)  $\hat{h}(f \pm g) = \hat{h}(f) \pm \hat{h}(g)$ , (ii)  $\hat{h}(\max\{f, g\}) = \hat{h}(f) \vee \hat{h}(g)$ , and (iii)  $\hat{1}_X = u$ .

To prove that  $\hat{h}(\sup_n f_n) = \sup_n \hat{h}(f_n)$  whenever  $\sup_n f_n \in \mathcal{T}(B)$ , we proceed in the same way as in the Step 2. □

Comparing Proposition 3.4, we have the following statement.

**PROPOSITION 5.1.** *Let  $X$  be a compact Hausdorff space and let  $\mathcal{T}_g(X)$  be a  $g$ -tribe generated by the set  $\mathcal{C}(X)$  of all continuous functions on  $X$ . Then  $\mathcal{T}_g(X) = \mathcal{M}_b(X)$ , where  $\mathcal{M}_b(X)$  denotes the set of all bounded Baire measurable functions on  $X$ . In addition,  $\mathcal{M}(X) = \Gamma(\mathcal{T}_g(X), 1_X)$ .*

**PROOF.** Since  $\mathcal{M}_b(X)$  is a  $g$ -tribe containing  $\mathcal{C}(X)$ , we have  $\mathcal{T}_g(X) \subseteq \mathcal{M}_b(X)$ .  $\mathcal{T}_g(X)$  is an  $\ell$ -group with strong unit  $1_X$ , whence  $\Gamma(\mathcal{T}_g(X), 1_X)$  is a tribe containing the set  $C(X)$  of all continuous fuzzy sets on  $X$ , which by Proposition 3.4 entails

$$(5.6) \quad \mathcal{M}(X) \subseteq \Gamma(\mathcal{T}_g(X), 1_X) \subseteq \mathcal{M}_b(X).$$

If  $f$  is a non-negative function from  $\mathcal{M}_b(X)$ , then there is an integer  $k \geq 1$  such that  $f \leq k1_X$ , and by Proposition 3.4 it means that  $f/k \in \mathcal{M}(X)$ . Consequently,



$f$  belongs to the  $\ell$ -group generated by  $\mathcal{M}(X)$ . This is also true for any function  $f \in \mathcal{M}_b(X)$ . Consequently, if  $f \in \Gamma(\mathcal{T}_g(X), 1_X)$ , then  $f \in \mathcal{M}(X)$ . Hence,  $\mathcal{M}_b(X) = \mathcal{T}_g(X)$  and  $\mathcal{M}(X) = \Gamma(\mathcal{T}_g(X), 1_X)$ .  $\square$

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