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## SEQUENTIAL CONVERGENCES ON *MV*-ALGEBRAS

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The notion of an *MV*-algebra was introduced by Chang [2]. Various systems of axioms and various notation for *MV*-algebras have been applied; we shall use those from [4]; cf. also [13].

We investigate sequential convergences on *MV*-algebras. The definition is analogous to that studied for lattice ordered groups (cf. [6], [8]), Boolean algebras [9], [11] or lattices [12].

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an *MV*-algebra and let  $G$  be a lattice ordered group. We denote by  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  and  $\text{Conv } G$  the set of all sequential convergences on  $\mathcal{A}$  or on  $G$ , respectively. Next, let  $\text{Conv}^b G$  be the set of all bounded sequential convergences on  $G$ ; this notion has been dealt with in [10]. All the sets  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\text{Conv } G$  and  $\text{Conv}^b G$  are partially ordered by inclusion.

Mundici [14] proved that for each *MV*-algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  there exists an abelian lattice ordered group  $G$  with a strong unit  $u$  such that  $\mathcal{A}$  can be constructed by means of  $G$ . In this construction, the underlying set  $A$  of  $\mathcal{A}$  is the interval  $[0, u]$  of  $G$ .

We shall prove that the partially ordered set  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  is isomorphic to  $\text{Conv}^b G$ . From this we deduce that each interval of  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  is a complete Bowerian lattice. The lattice  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  has a greatest element if and only if  $\text{Conv } G$  has a greatest element.

It will be shown that if  $[0, u]$  is a Boolean algebra, then the relation  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A} = \text{Conv } \mathcal{B}$  is valid (where  $\mathcal{B}$  is the Boolean algebra under consideration, and  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{B}$  is as in [9]).

## 1. PRELIMINARIES

The following definition of an *MV*-algebra is recalled from [4].

**1.1. Definition.** An *MV*-algebra is a system  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A; \oplus, *, \neg, 0, 1 \rangle$  (where  $\oplus, *$  are binary operations,  $\neg$  is a unary operation and  $0, 1$  are nullary operations) such that the following identities are satisfied:

- (m<sub>1</sub>)  $x \oplus (y \oplus z) = (x \oplus y) \oplus z$ ;
- (m<sub>2</sub>)  $x \oplus 0 = x$ ;
- (m<sub>3</sub>)  $x \oplus y = y \oplus x$ ;
- (m<sub>4</sub>)  $x \oplus 1 = 1$ ;
- (m<sub>5</sub>)  $\neg\neg x = x$ ;
- (m<sub>6</sub>)  $\neg 0 = 1$ ;
- (m<sub>7</sub>)  $x \oplus \neg x = 1$ ;
- (m<sub>8</sub>)  $\neg(\neg x \oplus y) \oplus y = \neg(x \oplus \neg y) \oplus x$ ;
- (m<sub>9</sub>)  $x * y = \neg(\neg x \oplus \neg y)$ .

Let  $\mathbb{N}$  be the set of all positive integers and for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  let  $A_n = A$ . The direct product of sets  $A_n$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ) will be denoted by  $A^{\mathbb{N}}$ . The elements of  $A^{\mathbb{N}}$  are denoted by  $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  or simply by  $(a_n)$ ; they will be called sequences in  $\mathcal{A}$ . The notion of a subsequence of a sequence in  $\mathcal{A}$  has the usual meaning. If  $(x_n) \in A^{\mathbb{N}}$  and  $x \in A$  such that  $x_n = x$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then we write  $(x_n) = \text{const } x$ .

If  $K \subseteq A^{\mathbb{N}} \times A$ , then a relation of the form  $((x_n), x) \in K$  will be denoted also by writing  $x_n \longrightarrow_K x$ .

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

$$\begin{aligned} x \vee y &= (x * \neg y) \oplus y, \\ x \wedge y &= \neg(\neg x \vee \neg y). \end{aligned}$$

Let us consider the structure  $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}) = \langle A; \vee, \wedge \rangle$ . Then we have

**1.2. Proposition.** (Cf., e.g., [4].)  $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A})$  is a distributive lattice with the least element  $0$  and the greatest element  $1$ .

The partial order induced on  $A$  by means of the lattice  $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A})$  will be denoted by  $\leq$ . When considering a partial order on the set  $A$  we always mean the partial order  $\leq$ .

**1.3. Definition.** A subset  $K$  of  $A^{\mathbb{N}} \times A$  will be said to be a *sequential convergence in  $\mathcal{A}$*  if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i) If  $x_n \longrightarrow_K x$  and  $(y_n)$  is a subsequence of  $(x_n)$ , then  $y_n \longrightarrow_K x$ .

- (ii) If  $(x_n) \in A^{\mathbb{N}}$ ,  $x \in A$  and if for each subsequence  $(y_n)$  of  $(x_n)$  there is a subsequence  $(z_n)$  of  $(y_n)$  such that  $z_n \rightarrow_K x$ , then  $x_n \rightarrow_K x$ .
- (iii) If  $(x_n) \in A^{\mathbb{N}}$ ,  $x \in A$ ,  $(x_n) = \text{const } x$ , then  $x_n \rightarrow_K x$ .
- (iv) If  $x_n \rightarrow_K x$  and  $x_n \rightarrow_K y$ , then  $x = y$ .
- (v) If  $x_n \rightarrow_K x$  and  $y_n \rightarrow_K y$ , then  $x_n \oplus y_n \rightarrow_K x \oplus y$ ,  $x_n * y_n \rightarrow_K x * y$  and  $\neg x_n \rightarrow_K \neg x$ .
- (vi) If  $x_n \leq y_n \leq z_n$  is valid for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and if  $x_n \rightarrow_K x$ ,  $z_n \rightarrow_K x$ , then  $y_n \rightarrow_K x$ .

In what follows we shall say “convergence” instead of “sequential convergence”. We denote by  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  the set of all convergences in  $\mathcal{A}$ . The set  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  is partially ordered by inclusion.

Let  $K(0)$  be the set consisting of all elements  $((x_n), x)$  of  $A^{\mathbb{N}} \times A$  such that there is  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $x_n = x$  for each  $n \geq m$ . Then we obviously have

**1.4. Lemma.**  *$K(0)$  is the least element of  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$ .*

The notion of convergence in a lattice was defined in [12]. It is defined as follows (we apply analogous notation as above).

**1.5. Definition.** Let  $\mathcal{L} = (L; \wedge, \vee)$  be a lattice. A subset  $K$  of  $L^{\mathbb{N}} \times L$  is a *convergence in  $\mathcal{L}$*  if the conditions (i)–(iv), (vi) from 1.3 are satisfied and if, moreover, the following condition holds:

- (v(1)) If  $x_n \rightarrow_K x$  and  $y_n \rightarrow_K y$ , then  $x_n \wedge y_n \rightarrow_K x \wedge y$  and  $x_n \vee y_n \rightarrow_K x \vee y$ .

From the definition of the lattice  $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A})$  and from 1.3 we immediately obtain

**1.6. Lemma.** *Let  $K \in \text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$ . Then  $K$  is a convergence on the lattice  $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A})$ .*

If  $\{K_i\}_{i \in I}$  is a nonempty system of elements in  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$ , then 1.3 yields that  $\bigcap_{i \in I} K_i$  also belongs to  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$ . Hence we have

**1.7. Lemma.** *The partially ordered set  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  is a  $\wedge$ -semilattice. If  $K \in \text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$ , then the interval  $[K(0), K]$  is a complete lattice. Hence if  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  has a greatest element, then  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  is a complete lattice.*

For lattice ordered groups we apply the same notation as in [1]. The following theorems 1.8 and 1.9 are due to Mundici [14] (for the case of linearly ordered MV-algebras cf. Chang [11]).

**1.8. Theorem.** *Let  $G$  be an abelian lattice ordered group with a strong unit  $u$ . Let  $A$  be the interval  $[0, u]$  of  $G$ . For each  $a$  and  $b$  in  $A$  we put*

$$a \oplus b = (a + b) \wedge u, \quad \neg a = u - a, \quad 1 = u.$$

Next, let the binary operation  $*$  on  $A$  be defined by  $(m_9)$ . Then  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A; \oplus, *, \neg, 0, 1 \rangle$  is an MV-algebra.

If  $G$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  are as in 1.8 then we put  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_0(G, u)$ .

**1.9. Theorem.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an MV-algebra. Then there exists an abelian lattice ordered group  $G$  with a strong unit  $u$  such that  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_0(G, u)$ .*

**1.10. Lemma.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $G$  be as in 1.9. Let  $x, y \in A$ ,  $x \leq y$ . Then*

$$y - x = \neg(x \oplus \neg y).$$

*Proof.* According to 1.8 we have

$$x \oplus \neg y = (x + (u - y)) \wedge u = (u - (y - x)) \wedge u = u - (y - x),$$

hence

$$\neg(x \oplus \neg y) = u - (u - (y - x)) = y - x.$$

□

**1.11. Lemma.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an MV-algebra,  $x, y, z \in A$ ,  $x \leq y \leq z$ . Then*

$$\neg(x \oplus \neg z) = \neg(x \oplus \neg y) \oplus \neg(y \oplus \neg z).$$

*Proof.* According to 1.10 and 1.8 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \neg(x \oplus \neg z) &= z - x = (x - y) + (y - x) = (z - y) \oplus (y - x) \\ &= \neg(y \oplus \neg z) \oplus (x \oplus \neg y). \end{aligned}$$

□

**1.12. Lemma.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an MV-algebra,  $x, y \in A$ ,  $x \leq y$ . Then*

$$x = \neg(\neg y \oplus \neg(x \oplus \neg y)).$$

*Proof.* In view of 1.10 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \neg(\neg y \oplus \neg(x \oplus \neg y)) &= \neg(\neg y \oplus (y - x)) = \neg((u - y) \oplus (y - x)) \\ &= \neg(((u - y) + (y - x)) \wedge u) = \neg((u - x) \wedge u) \\ &= \neg(u - x) = \neg\neg x = x. \end{aligned}$$

□

## 2. THE SYSTEMS $\text{Conv}_0 G$ AND $\text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$

All lattice ordered groups considered in the present paper are assumed to be abelian. If  $G$  is a lattice ordered group then its underlying set will be also denoted by the same symbol  $G$ .

**2.1. Definition.** Let  $G$  be a lattice ordered group and let  $K$  be a subset of  $G^{\mathbb{N}} \times G$ . The set  $K$  is said to be a *convergence in  $G$*  if the conditions (i)–(iv), (v(1)), (vi) above are satisfied and if, moreover, the following condition holds:

(v(2)) If  $x_n \rightarrow_K x$  and  $y_n \rightarrow_K y$  then  $x_n + y_n \rightarrow_K x + y$  and  $-x_n \rightarrow_K -y$ .

We denote by  $\text{Conv } G$  the set of all convergences in  $G$ ; this set is partially ordered by inclusion.

For each  $K$  in  $\text{Conv } G$  we put

$$K^0 = \{(x_n) \in G^{\mathbb{N}} : x_n \rightarrow_K 0 \text{ and } x_n \geq 0 \text{ for each } n \in \mathbb{N}\},$$

$$\text{Conv}_0 G = \{K^0 : K \in \text{Conv } G\}.$$

We can regard  $G^{\mathbb{N}}$  as the direct product  $\prod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} G_n$ , where  $G_n = G$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Hence  $G^{\mathbb{N}}$  is a lattice ordered group. For each lattice ordered group  $H$  the symbol  $H^+$  denotes the positive cone of  $H$ ; thus  $H^+$  is a lattice ordered semigroup.

**2.2. Lemma.** (Cf. [6], 1.2 and 1.3.) *Let  $K^1$  be a subset of  $G^{\mathbb{N}}$ . Then  $K^1$  belongs to  $\text{Conv}_0 G$  if and only if  $K^1$  is a convex subsemigroup of the semigroup  $(G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$  such that the following conditions are satisfied:*

- (I) *If  $(g_n) \in K^1$  then each subsequence of  $(g_n)$  belongs to  $K^1$ .*
- (II) *Let  $(g_n) \in (G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$ . If each subsequence of  $(g_n)$  has a subsequence belonging to  $K^1$ , then  $(g_n) \in K^1$ .*
- (III) *Let  $g \in G$ . Then  $\text{const } g$  belongs to  $K^1$  if and only if  $g = 0$ .*

The set  $\text{Conv}_0 G$  is partially ordered by inclusion. The following lemma is easy to verify. (Cf. also [6].)

**2.3. Lemma.** (i) *For each  $K$  in  $\text{Conv } G$  put  $\varphi_1(K) = K^0$ . Then  $\varphi_1$  is an isomorphism of  $\text{Conv } G$  onto  $\text{Conv}_0 G$ .*

(ii) *Let  $K^1 \in \text{Conv}_0 G$ . Put  $K = \{(x_n, x) \in G^{\mathbb{N}} \times G : |x_n - x| \in K^1\}$ . Then  $K \in \text{Conv } G$  and  $\varphi_1(K) = K^1$ .*

Direct products of  $MV$ -algebras have been investigated in [2] and [13].

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an  $MV$ -algebra. Similarly as in the case of lattice ordered groups above we denote by  $A^{\mathbb{N}}$  the direct product  $\prod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$ , where  $A_n = A$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Next, for each  $K \in \text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  we denote

$$K^0 = \{(x_n) \in A^{\mathbb{N}} : x_n \longrightarrow_K 0\},$$

$$\text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A} = \{K^0 : K \in \text{Conv } \mathcal{A}\}.$$

In view of the definition of  $\text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$  and according to 1.3 we have

**2.4. Lemma.** *Let  $K^1 \in \text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$ . Then*

- (i)  $K^1$  satisfies the conditions (I), (II) and (III) from 2.2;
- (ii)  $K^1$  is a convex subset of the lattice  $(A^{\mathbb{N}}; \vee, \wedge)$ ;
- (iii)  $K^1$  is closed with respect to the operation  $\oplus$ .

The following two lemmas 2.5 and 2.6 will show that the set  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  can be reconstructed from  $\text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$ .

Let  $K(1)$  be a nonempty subset of  $A^{\mathbb{N}}$ . For  $((x_n), x) \in A^{\mathbb{N}} \times A$  we consider the following condition:

- (\*) There exist  $(u_n), (v_n) \in A^{\mathbb{N}}$  such that
  - (i)  $u_n \leq x, u_n \leq x_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $(\neg(u_n \oplus \neg x)) \in K(1)$ ;
  - (ii)  $v_n \geq x, v_n \geq x_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $(\neg(x \oplus \neg v_n)) \in K(1)$ .

We denote by  $K(2)$  the set of all  $((x_n), x) \in A^{\mathbb{N}} \times A$  such that the condition (\*) is valid. If  $((x_n), x)$  belongs to  $K(2)$  then we write  $x_n \longrightarrow_{K(2)} x$ .

**2.5. Lemma.** *Let  $K(1)$  be a nonempty subset of  $A^{\mathbb{N}}$  satisfying the conditions (i), (ii) and (iii) from 2.4. Let  $K(2)$  be defined as above. Then  $K(2) \in \text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$ .*

*Proof.* We shall verify that  $K(2)$  satisfies the conditions (i)–(vi) from 1.3.

(i): The validity of (i) is obvious.

(ii): Let  $G$  be as in 1.9. In view of the assumption (cf. 2.4 (i))  $K(1)$  satisfies the conditions (I), (II) and (III) from 2.2. Thus 2.2 yields that  $K(1)$  belongs to  $\text{Conv}_0 G$ .

Let  $(x_n) \in A^{\mathbb{N}}, x \in A$ . Suppose that the assumptions of the condition (ii) of 1.3 hold, where  $K$  is replaced by  $K(2)$ .

Then for a sequence  $(z_n)$  as in (ii) of 1.3 we have  $z_n \longrightarrow_{K(2)} x$ . Thus there are  $(u_n), (v_n) \in A^{\mathbb{N}}$  such that the conditions (i) and (ii) from (\*) are valid, where  $x_n$  is replaced by  $z_n$ .

According to 1.10 we have

$$\neg(u_n \oplus \neg x) = x - u_n,$$

$$\neg(x \oplus \neg v_n) = v_n - x,$$

hence  $(x - u_n) \in K(1)$  and  $(v_n - x) \in K(1)$ . Since  $K(1) \in \text{Conv}_0 G$  and  $u_n \leq z_n \leq v_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , by applying 2.3 we obtain that in the lattice ordered group  $G$  we have  $(|z_n - x|) \in K(1)$  and thus (cf. 2.1) we get  $(|x_n - x|) \in K(1)$ . This implies that

$$(x - (x_n \wedge x)) \in K(1), \quad ((x_n \vee x) - x) \in K(1),$$

whence  $(x_n, x) \in K(2)$ . Therefore the condition (ii) from 1.3 is valid for  $K(2)$ .

(iii): Under the assumptions as in (iii) it suffices to put  $u_n = v_n = x$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and then according to the definition of  $K(2)$  the relation  $x_n \rightarrow_{K(2)} x$  holds.

(iv): Since (iv) is a consequence of (v) it suffices to deal with (v).

(v): Let  $x_n \rightarrow_{K(2)} x$ . Hence there are  $(u_n)$  and  $(v_n)$  in  $A^{\mathbb{N}}$  such that  $(*)$  is valid. Thus for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we have

$$\neg u_n \geq \neg x, \quad \neg u_n \geq \neg x_n, \quad \neg v_n \leq \neg x, \quad \neg v_n \leq \neg x_n.$$

We have also

$$\begin{aligned} \neg(\neg v_n \oplus \neg \neg x) &= \neg(x \oplus \neg v_n) \in K(1), \\ \neg(\neg x \oplus \neg \neg u_n) &= \neg(u_n \oplus \neg x) \in K(1), \end{aligned}$$

whence  $\neg x_n \rightarrow_{K(2)} \neg x$ .

Next, let  $x_n \rightarrow_{K(2)} x$  and  $x'_n \rightarrow_{K(2)} x'$ . Let  $(u_n)$  and  $(v_n)$  be as in  $(*)$ ; further let  $(u'_n)$  and  $(v'_n)$  have analogous meanings (with respect to  $x'_n$  and  $x'$ ). Denote  $x'' = x \oplus x'$ ,  $u''_n = u_n \oplus u'_n$ ,  $v''_n = v_n \oplus v'_n$ . Hence  $u''_n \leq x''$ ,  $u''_n \leq x''_n$ ,  $v''_n \geq x''$  and  $v''_n \geq x''_n$ .

We also have

$$u''_n = u_n \oplus u'_n \leq x \oplus u'_n \leq x \oplus x' = x''.$$

In view of 1.9 there are  $p_n, q_n \in A^{\mathbb{N}}$  such that for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$u''_n + p_n = u''_n \oplus p_n = x \oplus u'_n, \quad (x \oplus u'_n) + q_n = x \oplus u'_n \oplus q_n = x''.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq p_n &= (x \oplus u'_n) - (u_n \oplus u'_n) = \\ &= ((x + u'_n) \wedge u) - ((u_n + u'_n) \wedge u). \end{aligned}$$

Whenever  $a, b$  and  $c$  are elements of a lattice ordered group with  $a \leq b$ , then it is easy to verify that

$$(b \wedge u) - (a \wedge u) \leq b - a.$$



Hence

$$0 \leq p_n \leq (x + u'_n) - (u_n + u'_n) = x - u_n.$$

Since  $(x - u_n) \in K(1)$  we obtain that  $(p_n)$  belongs to  $K(1)$ . Similarly we prove that  $(q_n)$  belongs to  $K(1)$  as well. Therefore  $(x'' - u''_n) \in K(1)$  (cf. also 1.11). In another notation

$$(\neg(u''_n \oplus \neg x'')) \in K(1).$$

By analogous steps we can verify that

$$(\neg(x'' \oplus \neg v''_n)) \in K(1).$$

Hence according to the definition of  $K(2)$  we obtain

$$x_n \oplus x'_n \xrightarrow{K(2)} x \oplus y.$$

(vi): Let the assumptions from (vi) be fulfilled. Then there are  $(u_n), (v_n) \in A^{\mathbb{N}}$  such that  $x_n \leq x \leq v_n$ ,  $u_n \leq x_n$ ,  $z_n \leq v_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and

$$\neg(u_n \oplus \neg x) \in K(1), \quad \neg(x \oplus \neg v_n) \in K(1).$$

Then  $u_n \leq y_n \leq v_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Hence  $y_n \xrightarrow{K(2)} x$ .

The relation  $x_n * y_n \xrightarrow{K(2)} x * y$  is a consequence of the above results and of  $(m_9)$ .  $\square$

**2.6. Lemma.** *Let  $K(1)$  and  $K(2)$  be as above. Then  $(K(2))^0 = K(1)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(x_n) \in (K(2))^0$ ,  $x_n \xrightarrow{K(2)} 0$ . in view of the definition of  $K(2)$  there is  $(v_n) \in A^{\mathbb{N}}$  such that  $v_n \geq x_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and

$$(\neg(0 \oplus \neg v_n)) \in K(1).$$

Thus  $(v_n) \in K(1)$ . Put  $u_n = 0$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . In view of the convexity of  $K(1)$  we obtain that  $(x_n)$  belongs to  $K(1)$ . Hence  $(K(2))^0 \subseteq K(1)$ .

Conversely, let  $(x_n) \in K(1)$ . If we put  $u_n = v_n = x_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then in view of the definition of  $K(2)$  we get  $x_n \xrightarrow{K(2)} 0$ , whence  $(x_n) \in (K(2))^0$ .  $\square$

**2.7. Corollary.**  *$\text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$  is the system of all subsets of  $A^{\mathbb{N}}$  which satisfy the conditions (i), (ii) and (iii) from 2.4.*

If  $K \in \text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$ , then we put  $f_1(K) = K^0$ . Next, for  $K(1) \in \text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$  we set  $f_2(K(1)) = K(2)$  (under the notation as above).

Whenever  $K$  and  $K'$  belong to  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  and  $K \subseteq K'$ , then  $f_1(K) \subseteq f_1(K')$ . Similarly, if  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are elements of  $\text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$  with  $K_1 \subseteq K_2$ , then  $f_2(K_1) \subseteq f_2(K_2)$ .

**2.8. Lemma.** *Let  $K \in \text{Conv } A$ . Then  $f_2(K^0) = K$ .*

*Proof.* Put  $f_2(K^0) = K(2)$ . Let  $((x_n), x) \in K(2)$ . Hence there exist  $(u_n), (v_n) \in A^{\mathbb{N}}$  such that  $(*)$  holds, where  $K(1) = K^0$ . Thus

$$(\neg(x \oplus \neg v_n)) \in K^0.$$

According to 1.10  $(v_n - x) \in K^0$ , hence  $((v_n - x), 0) \in K$ , i.e.,  $v_n - x \rightarrow_K 0$ . Then  $(v_n - x) \oplus x \rightarrow_K x$ . Clearly  $(v_n - x) \oplus x = (v_n - x) + x = v_n$ , hence  $v_n \rightarrow_K x$ .

Next,  $(\neg(u_n \oplus \neg x)) \in K^0$ , whence in view of 1.10,  $(x - u_n) \in K^0$ , i.e.,  $x - u_n \rightarrow_K 0$ . According to 1.12,

$$u_n = \neg(\neg x \oplus \neg(u_n \oplus \neg x)).$$

Thus by applying 1.10  $u_n = \neg(\neg x \oplus (x - u_n))$  and hence

$$u_n \rightarrow_K \neg(\neg x \oplus 0) = x.$$

Then by 1.3 (vi) we obtain that  $x_n \rightarrow_K x$ . Therefore  $K(2) \subseteq K$ .

Conversely, let  $((x_n), x) \in K$ . Put  $u_n = x_n \wedge x$  and  $v_n = x_n \vee x$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $u_n \rightarrow_K x$  and  $v_n \rightarrow_K x$ , hence

$$\begin{aligned} \neg(u_n \oplus \neg x) &\rightarrow_K \neg(x \oplus \neg x) = \neg u = 0, \\ \neg(x \oplus \neg v_n) &\rightarrow_K \neg(x \oplus \neg x) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$(\neg(u_n \oplus \neg x)) \in K^0, \quad (\neg(x \oplus \neg v_n)) \in K^0.$$

Therefore  $((x_n), x) \in K(2)$ . Summarizing, we conclude  $K(2) = K$ . □

**2.9. Theorem.**  $f_2$  is an isomorphism of the partially ordered set  $\text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$  onto  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  and  $f_1 = f_2^{-1}$ .

*Proof.* This is a consequence of 2.6, 2.7, 2.8 and of the fact that both  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are monotone. □

### 3. THE RELATIONS BETWEEN $\text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$ AND $\text{Conv} G$

Again, let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an  $MV$ -algebra. Next, let  $G$  be as in 1.9.

First we shall investigate the relations between the partially ordered sets  $\text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$  and  $\text{Conv}_0 G$ .

For each  $K \in \text{Conv}_0 G$  we put

$$g_1(K) = A^{\mathbb{N}} \cap K.$$

**3.1. Lemma.** *If  $K \in \text{Conv}_0 G$ , then  $g_1(K) \in \text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $K_1 \in \text{Conv}_0 G$ . Then there is  $K \in \text{Conv} G$  such that  $K_1 = K_0$ . Hence if  $(x_n), (y_n) \in K_1$ , then  $(x_n \vee y_n), (x_n \wedge y_n)$  and  $(x_n + y_n)$  belong to  $K_1$ . Thus in view of 2.2 and 2.7 we obtain that  $g_1(K_1) \in \text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$ . □

As an immediate consequence of the definition of  $g_1$  we get

**3.2. Lemma.** *Let  $K_1, K_2 \in \text{Conv} G$ ,  $K_1 \subseteq K_2$ . Then  $g_1(K_1) \subseteq g_1(K_2)$ .*

**3.3. Lemma.** *Let  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in A$ ,  $n \geq 2$ . Then  $a_1 \oplus a_2 \oplus \dots \oplus a_n = (a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n) \wedge u$ .*

*Proof.* By obvious induction. □

A nonempty subset  $X$  of  $(G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$  is said to be regular if there exists  $K \in \text{Conv}_0 G$  such that  $X \subseteq K$ .

**3.4. Lemma.** *Let  $X$  be a nonempty subset of  $(G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i)  $X$  is not regular.
- (ii) *There exist  $(x_n^1), (x_n^2), \dots, (x_n^m) \in X$ , subsequences  $(y_n^k)$  of  $(x_n^k)$  ( $k = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ) and an element  $0 < g \in G$  such that  $g \leq y_n^1 + y_n^2 + \dots + y_n^m$  is valid for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .*

*Proof.* This is a consequence of Lemma 2.5 in [10]. □

**3.5. Lemma.** *Let  $X \in \text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$ . Then the set  $X$  is regular.*

*Proof.* By way of contradiction, assume that  $X$  is not regular. Hence the condition (ii) from 3.4 holds. Then

$$(1) \quad 0 \leq \wedge u = (y_n^1 + y_n^2 + \dots + y_n^m) \wedge u = y_n^1 \oplus y_n^2 \oplus \dots \oplus y_n^m.$$

According to the definition of  $\text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$  there exists  $K \in \text{Conv} \mathcal{A}$  such that  $X = K^0$ . Hence  $x_n^k \rightarrow_K 0$  and thus  $y_n^k \rightarrow_K 0$  for each  $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ . Therefore

$$y_n^1 \oplus y_n^2 \oplus \dots \oplus y_n^m \rightarrow_K 0;$$

in view of (1) we have arrived at a contradiction.

According to 3.5 for each  $X \in \text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$  there exists a uniquely determined element  $Y$  of  $\text{Conv}_0 G$  such that (i)  $X \subseteq Y$ , and (ii) whenever  $Y_1 \in \text{Conv}_0 G$  and  $X \subseteq Y_1$ , then  $Y \subseteq Y_1$ . We denote  $Y = g_2(X)$  and  $F = g_2(\text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A})$ .  $\square$

**3.6. Lemma.** *Let  $X_1, X_2 \in \text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$ ,  $X_1 \subseteq X_2$ . Then  $g_2(X_1) \subseteq g_2(X_2)$ .*

*Proof.* This is an immediate consequence of the definition of  $g_2$ .  $\square$

The set  $g_2(X)$  can be constructively defined as follows.

Let  $\delta X$  be the system of all subsequences of sequences belonging to  $X$ . The convex closure (in  $G^{\mathbb{N}}$ ) of the system  $\{\text{const } 0\} \cup X$  will be denoted by  $[X]$ . Next, let  $\langle X \rangle$  be the subgroup of  $(G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$  generated by the set  $X$ . The symbol  $X^*$  will denote the set of all sequences in  $G^+$  each subsequence of which has a subsequence belonging to  $X$ .

Then we have

**3.7. Lemma.** (Cf. [5] or [10], 2.2.) *Let  $\emptyset \neq X \subseteq \text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$ . Then  $g_2(X) = \langle \delta X \rangle^*$ .*

**3.8. Lemma.** *Let  $X_1, X_2 \in \text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$ ,  $X_1 \not\subseteq X_2$ . Then  $g_2(X_1) \not\subseteq g_2(X_2)$ .*

*Proof.* There exists  $(x_n) \in X_1 \setminus X_2$ . By way of contradiction, suppose that  $g_2(X_1) \subseteq g_2(X_2)$ . Since  $X_1 \subseteq g_2(X_1)$ , we obtain that  $(x_n) \in g_2(X_2)$ . Thus in view of 3.7,  $(x_n) \in \langle \delta X_2 \rangle^*$ . Since  $X_2 \in \text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\delta X_2 = X_2$ . Also,  $(A^{\mathbb{N}})^* \supseteq A^{\mathbb{N}}$  and  $(x_n) \in A^{\mathbb{N}}$ , thus  $(x_n) \in \langle \delta X_2 \rangle^* \cap (A^{\mathbb{N}})^* = (\langle \delta X_2 \rangle \cap A^{\mathbb{N}})^* = (\langle X_2 \rangle \cap A^{\mathbb{N}})^*$ .

Let  $(z_n) \in \langle X_2 \rangle \cap A^{\mathbb{N}}$ . Thus there is  $(v_n) \in \langle X_2 \rangle$  such that  $(z_n) \leq (v_n)$ . Hence  $z_n \leq v_n \in A$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . There are  $(t_n^1), \dots, (t_n^m)$  in  $X_2$  such that  $v_n = t_n^1 + \dots + t_n^m$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Hence

$$z_n \leq (t_n^1 + \dots + t_n^m) \wedge u = t_n^1 \oplus t_n^2 \oplus \dots \oplus t_n^m.$$

Because  $X_2 \in \text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$  we get  $(t_n^1 \oplus \dots \oplus t_n^m) \in X_2$  and hence  $(z_n) \in X_2$ . Next,  $X_2$  satisfies Urysohn's condition (cf. the condition (ii) in 1.3); this yields that  $(x_n) \in X_2$ , which is a contradiction.  $\square$

**3.9. Lemma.** Let  $X \in \text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$  and  $Z \subseteq [-mu, mu]^\mathbb{N}$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then the following conditions are valid:

- (i)  $\delta X = X$  and  $[X] = X$ .
- (ii) If  $(z_n) \in A^\mathbb{N}$  and  $(z_n) \in \langle X \rangle$ , then  $(z_n) \in X$ .
- (iii) If  $(t_n) \in Z^*$ , then there is  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $t_n \in [-mu, mu]$  for each  $n \geq k$ .

*Proof.* The conditions (i) and (ii) follow from the definition of  $\text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$  (cf. also 2.4). The validity of (iii) is obvious.  $\square$

For  $K \in \text{Conv}_0 G$  let  $K^b$  be the set of all  $(x_n) \in K$  such that  $(x_n)$  is a bounded sequence in  $G$ . We denote by  $\text{Conv}_0^b G$  the system  $\{K \in \text{Conv}_0 G : K = K^b\}$ ; this system has been investigated in [10]. For each  $K \in \text{Conv}_0 G$ ,  $K^b$  belongs to  $\text{Conv}_0^b G$ .

There exist examples for which  $K \neq K^b$ . Clearly  $g_1(K) = g_1(K^b)$  for each  $K \in \text{Conv}_0 G$ . Hence the mapping  $g_1$  fails to be a monomorphism.

**3.10. Lemma.** Let  $X \in \text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$ . Then  $g_2(X)$  is bounded.

*Proof.* In view of 3.7,  $g_2(X) = [\langle \delta X \rangle]^*$ . Next, according to 3.9 (i) we have  $\delta X = X$ . Hence for each  $(y_n) \in \langle \delta X \rangle$  with  $y_n \geq 0$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  there exist  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $(z_n^1), (z_n^2), \dots, (z_n^m)$  in  $X$  such that

$$y_n = z_n^1 + z_n^2 + \dots + z_n^m \quad \text{for each } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Thus for each  $(v_n) \in [\langle \delta X \rangle]$  there are  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $(a_n^i), (b_n^i) \in X$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ) such that

$$a_n^1 + \dots + a_n^m \leq v_n \leq b_n^1 + \dots + b_n^m.$$

Therefore  $v_n \in [-mu, mu]$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus according to 3.9, (iii), for each  $(t_n) \in g_2(X)$  there is  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $t_n \in [-mu, mu]$  for each  $n \geq k$ . This yields that each sequence belonging to  $g_2(X)$  is bounded.  $\square$

**3.11. Lemma.** Let  $Y \in \text{Conv}_0 G$  and assume that  $Y$  is bounded. Put  $g_1(Y) = X$ . Then  $g_2(X) = Y$ .

*Proof.* The relation  $g_1(Y) = X$  gives that  $X \subseteq Y$ . Hence

$$g_2(X) = [\langle \delta X \rangle]^* \subseteq [\langle \delta Y \rangle]^*.$$

Since  $Y \in \text{Conv}_0 G$  we get  $[\langle \delta Y \rangle]^* = Y$  and thus  $g_2(X) \subseteq Y$ .

Let  $(y_n) \in Y$ ,  $y_n \geq 0$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $(y_n)$  is bounded there is  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $0 \leq y_n \leq u_1 + u_2 + \dots + u_m$ , where  $u_i = u$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ . Thus there are elements  $z_n^i$  in  $G$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ) with

$$y_n = z_n^1 + \dots + z_n^m, \quad 0 \leq z_n^i \leq u_i.$$

This yields that  $z_n^i \leq y_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and each  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ . Thus  $(z_n^i) \in Y$  and, at the same time,  $(z_n^i) \in A^{\mathbb{N}}$ , hence  $(z_n^i) \in X$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ . Thus  $(y_n) \in \langle X \rangle$  and hence  $(y_n) \in g_2(X)$ . From this we easily deduce that  $Y \subseteq g_2(X)$ . Summarizing, we conclude  $Y = g_2(X)$ .  $\square$

**3.12. Corollary.**  $g_2(\text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}) = \text{Conv}_0^b G$ .

**3.13. Theorem.**  $g_2$  is an isomorphism of the partially ordered set  $\text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$  onto  $\text{Conv}_0^b G$ .

*Proof.* This is a consequence of 3.2, 3.6, 3.8 and 3.12.  $\square$

An element  $K$  of  $\text{Conv } G$  will be called bounded if, whenever  $((x_n), x) \in K$ , then the sequence  $(x_n)$  is bounded in  $G$ . We denote by  $\text{Conv}^b G$  the set of all elements of  $\text{Conv } G$  which are bounded. It is easy to verify that  $\text{Conv}^b G$  is a convex subset of  $\text{Conv } G$  and contains the least element of  $\text{Conv } G$ .

**3.14. Theorem.** The partially ordered set  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  is isomorphic to  $\text{Conv}^b G$ .

*Proof.* Let  $f_1$  be as in 2.9 and let  $g_2$  be as above. Since  $f_1$  and  $g_2$  are isomorphisms, from

$$\text{Conv } \mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{f_1} \text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{g_2} \text{Conv}_0^b G$$

we obtain an isomorphism of  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  onto  $\text{Conv}_0^b G$ . The isomorphism  $\varphi_1$  from 2.3 gives an isomorphism

$$\text{Conv}_0^b G \xrightarrow{\varphi_1^{-1}} \text{Conv}^b G.$$

We obviously have

$$\varphi_1^{-1}(\text{Conv}_0^b G) = \text{Conv}^b G.$$

Thus there is an isomorphism of  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  onto  $\text{Conv}^b G$ .  $\square$

**3.15. Theorem.** Each interval of the partially ordered set  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  is a complete Brouwerian lattice.

*Proof.* In view of [6] each interval of  $\text{Conv } G$  is a complete Brouwerian lattice. Now it suffices to apply 3.14.  $\square$

**3.16. Theorem.** The following conditions are equivalent:

- (i)  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  is a complete lattice.
- (ii)  $\text{Conv } G$  is a complete lattice.

*Proof.* This follows from 3.14 and 3.15.  $\square$

The following example shows that  $\text{Conv}^b G$  need not be equal to  $\text{Conv} G$ .

Let  $G$  be the set of all bounded real functions defined on the set  $\mathbb{R}$  of all reals; the operation  $+$  and the partial order on  $G$  have the usual meaning. Let  $u \in G$  be such that  $u(t) = 1$  for each  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . Consider the  $MV$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_0(G, u)$ .

For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  let  $x_n \in G$  be defined as follows:

$$x_n(n) = n \quad \text{and} \quad x_n(t) = 0 \quad \text{whenever} \quad t \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{n\}.$$

Thus  $x_{n(1)} \wedge x_{n(2)} = 0$  whenever  $n(1)$  and  $n(2)$  are distinct positive integers. There is  $K \in \text{Conv}_0 G$  such that  $(x_n) \in K$ . It is easy to verify that whenever  $K(1) \in \text{Conv}_0 \mathcal{A}$  then  $g_2(K(1)) \neq K$ . Hence  $K \notin \text{Conv}_0^b G$  and thus  $\text{Conv}_0^b G \neq \text{Conv}_0 G$ . Therefore  $\text{Conv}^b G \neq \text{Conv} G$ .

We shall apply the following definition of higher degrees of distributivity (it has been applied for the case of lattice ordered groups in [7]; cf. also [8] and [11]).

Let  $L$  be a lattice and let  $\alpha > 0, \beta > 0$  be cardinals.  $L$  is called  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -distributive if

(i) whenever  $T$  and  $S$  are sets with  $\text{card} T \leq \alpha, \text{card} S \leq \beta$ , then the relation

$$(1) \quad \bigwedge_{t \in T} \bigvee_{s \in S} x_{t,s} = \bigvee_{\varphi \in S^T} \bigwedge_{t \in T} x_{t,\varphi(t)}$$

is valid if all joins and meets standing in (1) do exist in  $L$ , and

(ii) the condition dual to (i) is also valid.

Next,  $L$  is called  $\alpha$ -distributive if it is  $(\alpha, \alpha)$ -distributive.  $L$  is completely distributive if it is  $\alpha$ -distributive for each cardinal  $\alpha$ .

It is easy to verify that a lattice ordered group is  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -distributive if and only if it satisfies one of the conditions (i) or (ii) above.

Again, let  $G$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  be as above. In what follows we assume that  $\text{card} A > 1$ .

**3.17. Lemma.** *Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be cardinals. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

(i)  $G$  is not  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -distributive.

(ii) There exists  $x \in G$  with  $0 < x$  such that, whenever  $y \in G, 0 < y \leq x$ , then the interval  $[0, y]$  of  $G$  is not  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -distributive.

*Proof.* It is obvious that (ii)  $\implies$  (i). Let (i) be valid. Then according to 1.3 and 1.3.1 in [7] there are elements  $x_{t,s}$  and  $x$  in  $G$  ( $t \in T, s \in S, \text{card} T \leq \alpha, \text{card} S \leq \beta$ ) such that  $x_{t,s} \in [0, x]$  for each  $t \in T, s \in S$  and

$$(a) \quad \bigwedge_{t \in T} \bigvee_{s \in S} x_{t,s} = x, \quad \bigvee_{\varphi \in S^T} \bigwedge_{t \in T} x_{t,\varphi(t)} = 0.$$

Let  $y \in G$ ,  $0 < y \leq x$ . Put  $x'_{t,s} = x_{t,s} \wedge y$  for each  $t \in T$  and  $s \in S$ . Since  $G$  is infinitely distributive, from (a) we obtain

$$y = y \wedge x = \bigwedge_{t \in T} \bigvee_{s \in S} x'_{t,s}, \quad 0 = 0 \wedge y = \bigvee_{\varphi x^T} \bigwedge_{t \in T} x'_{t,\varphi(t)}.$$

Hence the interval  $[0, y]$  is not  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -distributive. □

**3.18. Lemma.** *Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be cardinals. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i)  $G$  is not  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -distributive.
- (ii)  $\mathcal{A}$  is not  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -distributive.

*Proof.* Let (i) be valid. Then in view of 3.17 the condition (ii) from 3.17 holds. Put  $y = u \wedge x$ . Hence the interval  $[0, y]$  of  $G$  is not  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -distributive. Since  $[0, y]$  is, at the same time, an interval in  $\mathcal{A}$  we infer that  $\mathcal{A}$  is not  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -distributive. Conversely, suppose that  $\mathcal{A}$  is not  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -distributive. Since  $A = [0, u]$  and  $A$  is a closed sublattice of  $G$ , we infer that  $G$  is not  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -distributive. □

**3.19. Theorem.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be  $(\aleph_0, 2)$ -distributive. Then  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  possesses a greatest element.*

*Proof.* In view of 3.18,  $G$  is  $(\aleph_0, 2)$ -distributive. Hence according to [11]  $\text{Conv } G$  has a greatest element. Therefore 3.16 yields that  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  has a greatest element. □

#### 4. CONVERGENCES ON THE LATTICE $[0, u]$

For a lattice  $L$  we apply Definition 1.5. Let  $\text{Conv } L$  be the system of all convergences on  $L$ ; this system is partially ordered by inclusion.

The symbol  $\text{Conv}_c L$  will denote the set of all  $K \in \text{Conv } L$  which satisfy the following condition:

- (c) If  $(x_n)$  is a sequence in  $L$  such that for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  the element  $x_n$  possesses a complement  $x'_n$ , then

$$x_n \longrightarrow_K 0 \iff x'_n \longrightarrow_K u.$$



**4.1. Lemma.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}, G$  be as above and let  $L$  be the interval  $[0, u]$  of  $G$ . Let  $K \in \text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$ . Then  $K \in \text{Conv}_c L$ .*

*Proof.* According to 1.6,  $K \in \text{Conv } L$ . Suppose that  $(x_n)$  is a sequence in  $L$  such that for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $x'_n$  is a complement of  $x_n$  in  $L$ . It is easy to verify that for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $x'_n = \neg x_n$ . Hence if  $x_n \rightarrow_K 0$ , then  $\neg x_n \rightarrow_K \neg 0 = u$ . Similarly we can verify that if  $x'_n \rightarrow_K u$ , then  $x_n \rightarrow_K 0$ . Thus  $K \in \text{Conv}_c L$ .  $\square$

If a lattice  $L$  is bounded, distributive and complemented (i.e., if it is a Boolean algebra) then we have to distinguish between convergences on  $L$  considered as a lattice (cf. Definition 1.5) and convergences on  $L$  considered as a Boolean algebra; namely, we can apply the following definition (cf. [9]).

**4.2. Definition.** Let  $B$  be a Boolean algebra; the corresponding lattice (where the unary operation  $'$  of complementation is not taken into account) will be denoted by  $B_\ell$ . The system  $\text{Conv } B$  is defined as the set of all  $K \in \text{Conv } B_\ell$  such that

$$x_n \rightarrow_K x \implies x'_n \rightarrow_K x'.$$

**4.3. Lemma.** *Let  $B$  be a Boolean algebra. Then  $\text{Conv } B = \text{Conv}_c B_\ell$ .*

*Proof.* The greatest element of  $B$  will be denoted by  $u$ . According to the definition of  $\text{Conv } B$  the relation  $\text{Conv } B \subseteq \text{Conv}_c B_\ell$  is valid. Let  $K \in \text{Conv}_c B_\ell$ . Assume that  $x_n \rightarrow_K x$ . Then

$$x_n \vee x \rightarrow_K x, \quad x_n \wedge x \rightarrow_K x.$$

From the former of the above relations we obtain

$$(x_n \vee x) \wedge x' \rightarrow_K 0.$$

Then by applying the condition (c)

$$((x_n \vee x) \wedge x')' \rightarrow_K u,$$

hence

$$(x_n \vee x)' \vee x \rightarrow_K u,$$

$$(x'_n \wedge x') \vee x \rightarrow_K u,$$

$$x'_n \vee x \rightarrow_K u.$$

Therefore  $(x'_n \vee x) \wedge x' \longrightarrow_K x'$  and so

$$x'_n \wedge x' \longrightarrow_K x'.$$

Analogously we obtain that

$$x'_n \vee x' \longrightarrow_K x'.$$

Since  $x'_n \wedge x' \leq x'_n \leq x'_n \vee x'$  we get  $x'_n \longrightarrow_K x'$ . Thus  $K \in \text{Conv } B$  and hence  $\text{Conv}_c B_\ell \subseteq \text{Conv } B$ .  $\square$

Again, let  $L = [0, u]$  be as above.

**4.4. Lemma.** *Assume that  $L = B_\ell$ , where  $B$  is a Boolean algebra. Then  $a \oplus b = a \vee b$  for each  $a, b \in L$ .*

*Proof.* Put  $a \wedge b = v$ ,  $a - v = a_1$ ,  $b - v = b_1$ . Then  $a_1 \wedge b_1 = 0$ , hence  $a_1 + b_1 = a_1 \vee b_1$ . Thus we have also  $a_1 \oplus b_1 = a_1 \vee b_1$ . Therefore

$$a \oplus b = (v \oplus a_1) \oplus (v \oplus b_1) = (v \oplus v) \oplus (a_1 \oplus b_1).$$

Since  $L = B_\ell$ , according to [2], Theorem 1.17, we have  $v \oplus v = v$  and so

$$a \oplus b = v \oplus (a_1 \vee b_1) = (v \oplus a_1) \vee (v \oplus b_1) = a \vee b.$$

$\square$

**4.5. Lemma.** *Let  $L$  be as in 4.4.. Let  $K \in \text{Conv } L$ ,  $x_n \longrightarrow_K x$  and  $y_n \longrightarrow_K y$ . Then  $x_n \oplus y_n \longrightarrow_K x + y$ .*

*Proof.* We have  $x_n \vee y_n \longrightarrow_K x \vee y$  and now it suffices to apply 4.4.  $\square$

**4.6. Theorem.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $L$  be as above. Assume that  $L = B_\ell$ , where  $B$  is a Boolean algebra. Then  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A} = \text{Conv}_c L$ .*

*Proof.* In view of 4.1,  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A} \subseteq \text{Conv}_c L$ . Next, according to 4.5 and by the definition of  $\text{Conv}_c L$  we obtain that  $\text{Conv}_c L \subseteq \text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$ .  $\square$

Let us remark that if  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A} = \text{Conv}_c L$ , then there need not exist a Boolean algebra  $B$  with  $B_\ell = L$ .

*Example.* Let  $G$  be the additive group of all integers with the natural linear order. Put  $u = 2$  and consider the  $MV$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_0(G, u)$ . Then  $\text{card } A = 3$ , hence  $B_\ell \neq L = [0, u]$  for each Boolean algebra  $B$ . Next,  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A} = \text{Conv } L = \text{Conv}_c L = \{K(0)\}$ , where  $K(0)$  is the least element of  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$ .  $\square$

**4.7. Definition.** Let  $L$  be as above and let  $K \in \text{Conv } L$ . The lattice  $L$  is called *strongly nondiscrete* with respect to  $K$  if for each  $0 < a \in L$  there exists a sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $L$  such that  $0 < x_n < a$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $x_n \rightarrow_K 0$ .

The following question remains open:

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $L$  be as above. Assume that

(i)  $\text{Conv } \mathcal{A} = \text{Conv}_c L$ ;

(ii) if  $K \in \text{Conv } \mathcal{A}$  and  $K \neq K(0)$ , then  $L$  is strongly nondiscrete with respect to  $K$ .

Does there exist a Boolean algebra  $B$  with  $L = B_\ell$ ?

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