

## LII<sub>q</sub> algebras and Quasifields

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### Preliminary Definitions

**Definition 1.** A PMV-*algebra* is an algebra  $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \oplus, \neg, \cdot, 0, 1 \rangle$  such that:

$\langle A, \oplus, \neg, 0, 1 \rangle$  is a MV-algebra.

$\langle A, \cdot, 1 \rangle$  is a commutative monoid.

For all  $x, y, z \in \mathcal{A}$  one has:  $x \cdot (y \ominus z) = (x \cdot y) \ominus (x \cdot z)$ , where  $x \ominus y = \neg(\neg x \oplus y)$ .

**Definition 2.** A LII-*algebra* is an algebra

$$\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \oplus, \neg, \cdot, \rightarrow_\pi, 0, 1 \rangle$$

such that  $\langle A, \oplus, \neg, \cdot, 0, 1 \rangle$  is a PMV-algebra,  $\langle A, \cdot, \rightarrow_\pi, 0, 1 \rangle$  is a bounded hoop, and letting  $\neg_\pi x = x \rightarrow_\pi 0$  and  $\Delta(x) = \neg_\pi \neg x$ , the following equations hold:

- $x \rightarrow_\pi y \leq x \rightarrow y$ .
- $x \wedge \neg_\pi x = 0$
- $\Delta(x) \odot \Delta(x \rightarrow y) \leq \Delta(y)$
- $\Delta(x) \leq x$
- $\Delta(\Delta(x)) = \Delta(x)$
- $\Delta(x \vee y) = \Delta(x) \vee \Delta(y)$
- $\Delta(x) \vee \neg \Delta(x) = 1$
- $\Delta(x \rightarrow y) \leq x \rightarrow_\pi y$ .

**Definition 3.** A LII<sub>2</sub><sup>1</sup>-*algebra* is a LII-algebra with an additional constant  $\frac{1}{2}$  satisfying  $\frac{1}{2} = \neg \frac{1}{2}$ .

### Definitions

**Definition 1.** [MS03]. A LII<sub>q</sub>-algebra is a structure

$$\mathcal{A} = \langle A, \oplus, \neg, \cdot, \rightarrow_q, q, 0, 1 \rangle$$

where  $\langle A, \oplus, \neg, \cdot, 0, 1 \rangle$  is a PMV-algebra,  $q$  is a constant, and  $\rightarrow_q$  is a binary operation such that the following conditions hold:

- (A1)  $q \leq \neg q$
- (A2)  $x \rightarrow_q y = (x \vee q) \rightarrow_q y$
- (A3)  $(x \vee q)(x \rightarrow_q y) = (x \vee q) \wedge y$
- (A4)  $q \rightarrow_q (xq) = x$
- (A5) If  $x^2 = 0$  then  $x = 0$

**Notation.** We use  $u(a)$  to denote  $(a \vee 0) \wedge 1$ .

**Definition 2.** A  $f$ -*quasifield* is a structure

$$\langle K, +, -, \times, /_q, \vee, \wedge, 0, 1, q \rangle$$

where  $\langle K, +, -, \times, \vee, \wedge, 0, 1, q \rangle$  is a c-s-u-f-ring with strong unit 1,  $q$  is a constant and  $/_q$  is a binary operation such that the following conditions are satisfied:

- (K1)  $0 \leq q \leq 1 - q$
- (K2)  $x /_q y = u(x) /_q u(y) = u(x) /_q (u(y) \vee q)$ .
- (K3)  $(u(x) \vee q) \times (u(y) /_q u(x)) = (u(x) \vee q) \wedge u(y)$
- (K4)  $(u(x) \times q) /_q q = u(x)$
- (K5) If  $x \times x = 0$  then  $x = 0$ .

**Definition 3.** Let **LP**<sub>q</sub> and **FQ** denote the category of LII<sub>q</sub>-algebras and the category of  $f$ -quasifields respectively, with morphisms the homomorphisms in the sense of Universal Algebra.

We define a functor  $\Pi_q$  from **FQ** into **LP** as follows:

- (a) For every  $f$ -quasifield  $\mathcal{F}$  we define a structure  $\Pi_q(\mathcal{F})$  whose domain  $\Pi_q(F)$  is  $[0, 1] = \{x \in \mathcal{F} : 0 \leq x \leq 1\}$ , whose constants 0, 1 and  $q$  are those of  $\mathcal{F}$ , and whose operations  $\oplus$ ,  $\neg$ ,  $\cdot$  and  $\rightarrow_q$  of  $\Pi_q(F)$  are defined as follows:
  - (a1)  $x \oplus y = (x + y) \wedge 1$ ,  $\neg x = 1 - x$ , and  $x \rightarrow_q y = y /_q x$ .
  - (a2) The operation  $\cdot$  is the restriction of  $\times$  to  $[0, 1]$ .
- (b) For every morphism  $\Phi$  from a  $f$ -quasifield  $\mathcal{F}$  into a  $f$ -quasifield  $\mathcal{K}$ , we define  $\Pi_q(\Phi)$  to be the restriction of  $\Phi$  to  $\Pi_q(\mathcal{F})$ .

Now we define a functor  $\Pi_q^{-1}$  **LP** into **FQ** as follows:

- (a) For every LII<sub>q</sub>-algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ , the c-s-u-f-ring subreduct of  $\Pi_q^{-1}(\mathcal{A})$  is  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}^{-1}(\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A}))$ . Moreover the constant  $q$  is interpreted as  $q_0 = i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}(q^{\mathcal{A}})$ , where  $q^{\mathcal{A}}$  is the interpretation of  $q$  in  $\mathcal{A}$ .  
Note that the domain of  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}^{-1}(\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})))$  is contained into the domain of  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}^{-1}(\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A}))$ , therefore  $i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}(q^{\mathcal{A}}) \in \Pi_q^{-1}(\mathcal{A})$ .  
Moreover we define:

$$x /_q y = i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}((i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})})^{-1}(u(y)) \rightarrow_q (i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})})^{-1}(u(x))).$$

- (b) If  $\phi$  is a morphism of LII-algebras from  $\mathcal{A}$  into  $\mathcal{B}$ , then  $\Pi_q^{-1}(\phi) = \Gamma^{-1}(\mathbf{F}(\phi))$ .

### Main Results

**Theorem 1.** Let  $\mathcal{K} = \langle K, +, -, \times, /_q, \vee, \wedge, 0, 1, q \rangle$  be a linearly ordered quasifield. The following are equivalent:

- (i) There are no infinitesimal in  $\mathcal{K}$  (i.e.  $(\forall \varepsilon > 0) (\exists n \in \mathbf{N})(n\varepsilon > 1 - \varepsilon)$ )
- (ii)  $\mathcal{K}$  is Archimedean (i.e.  $\forall b \forall a > 0 \exists n \in \mathbf{N}(na \geq b)$ ).
- (iii)  $\langle K, +, -, \times, 0, 1 \rangle$  is a field.

**Corollary 2.** If  $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $f$ -quasifield, then the ring of rationals **Q** can be embedded into the ring-reduct of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**Theorem 3.** The categories of LII<sub>q</sub>-algebras and of  $f$ -quasifields are equivalent via the functors  $\Pi_q$  and  $\Pi_q^{-1}$ .

**Corollary 4.** Every  $f$ -quasifield is isomorphic to a subdirect product of a family of linearly ordered  $f$ -quasifields.

**Corollary 5.**  $f$ -quasifields constitute a quasivariety, but not a variety.

### Examples

**Example.** Let  $\mathbf{R}^*$  be any non-trivial ultrapower of the ordered field  $\mathbf{R}$  of real numbers, and let  $\varepsilon$  be any strictly positive infinitesimal. Then for all  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ ,  $n < \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$ . So 1 is not a strong unit and for any choice of  $q \in (0, \frac{1}{2}]$ ,  $\langle \mathbf{R}^*, +, -, \times, /_q, \vee, \wedge, 0, 1, q \rangle$  (where  $\times$  denotes product and  $x /_q y = \frac{u(x)}{u(y) \vee q}$ ) is not a  $f$ -quasifield although  $\langle \mathbf{R}^*, +, -, \times, 0, 1, \rangle$  is a field.

**Example.** Let  $\mathbf{R}^*$  be as before, let  $q = \frac{1}{2}$  and let

$$\mathbf{R}_{fin}^* = \{x \in \mathbf{R}^* : \exists n \in \mathbf{N}(|x| \leq n)\}.$$

It is easy to see that  $\mathbf{R}_{fin}^*$  is a c-s-u-f-ring. Now let  $x, y \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$  be such that  $x \leq y$ , and let  $z = \frac{x}{y}$ . Then  $\frac{1}{2} \leq z \leq 1$ , therefore  $z \in \mathbf{R}_{fin}^*$ . It follows that, letting  $a /_q b = \frac{u(a)}{(u(b) \vee q)}$ ,  $\mathbf{R}_{fin}^*$  is closed under  $/_q$ , and  $/_q$  makes  $\mathbf{R}_{fin}^*$  a  $f$ -quasifield. Nevertheless  $\mathbf{R}_{fin}^*$  is not a field, because if  $\varepsilon \in \mathbf{R}_{fin}^*$  is a strictly positive infinitesimal, then  $\frac{1}{\varepsilon} \notin \mathbf{R}_{fin}^*$ .

## Proofs

### Proof of theorem 1

- (i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii) Let  $h = q/q(q + q)$ . Then  $h(q + q) = q$ , which immediately implies that  $2h = 1$ . It follows that  $2hz = z$  for every  $z \in \mathcal{K}$ . Now let  $x \in \mathcal{K} \setminus \{0\}$ , and let us prove that there is a  $y \in \mathcal{K}$  such that  $yx = 1$ . Without loss of generality we may assume that  $x > 0$ . Let  $k$  be minimal such that  $x \leq 2^k$  (such a  $k$  exists because  $\mathcal{K}$  is Archimedean). Then  $h^k x \leq 1$ . Moreover by the minimality of  $k$  we have  $h^{k-1}x > 1$  (where we put  $h^{k-1} = 2$  if  $k = 0$ ). Hence  $q \leq h < h^k x \leq 1$ , and by axiom (K3) there is a  $z \in \mathcal{K}$  such that  $h^k xz = h$ . Now let  $y = h^{k-1}z$ . Then  $yx = h^{k-1}zx = 2h^kzx = 2h = 1$ . Hence  $y$  is the desired element.
- (ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i) Let by contradiction  $\mathcal{K}$  be a linearly ordered  $f$ -quasifield such that for some  $a, b \in \mathcal{K}$  one has  $a > 0$  and  $na < b$  for every  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ . Then for every  $n \in \mathbf{N}$  we have  $n < ba^{-1}$ , against the fact that 1 is a strong unit of  $\mathcal{K}$ .

**Proof of theorem ??** (i). That  $i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}$  is an isomorphism of PMV-algebras follows from Lemma ???. That  $i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}$  preserves the constant  $q$  follows from the definition of  $\Pi_q$  and of  $\Pi_q^{-1}$ . We prove that  $i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}$  preserves  $\rightarrow_q$ . Let  $\Rightarrow_q$  denote the interpretation of  $\rightarrow_q$  in  $\Pi_q(\Pi_q^{-1}(\mathcal{A}))$ . Thus  $a \Rightarrow_q b = b/_q a$ , and since  $u(a) = a$  and  $u(b) = b$ , from (★) we obtain:

$$a \Rightarrow_q b = i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}((i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})})^{-1}(a) \rightarrow_q (i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})})^{-1}(b)). \quad (1)$$

Now for  $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$ , substituting  $i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}(x)$  for  $a$  and  $i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}(y)$  for  $b$  in equation (1), we obtain:

$$i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}(x) \Rightarrow_q i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}(y) = i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}(x \rightarrow_q y),$$

and the claim is proved.

(ii). Let us denote  $\Pi_q(\mathcal{F})$  by  $\mathcal{B}$ . That  $j_{\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{F})}$  is an isomorphism of c-s-u-f-rings follows from Lemma ???. In order to prove that  $j_{\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{F})}$  preserves  $q$ , note that the interpretation of  $q$  is the same in  $\mathcal{F}$  and in  $\Pi_q(\mathcal{F}) = \mathcal{B}$ . Moreover in  $\Pi_q^{-1}(\mathcal{B})$ ,  $q$  is interpreted as  $i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})}(q^{\mathcal{B}})$ , where  $q^{\mathcal{B}}$  is the interpretation of  $q$  in both  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{F}$ . Therefore we only need to prove that  $i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})}(q^{\mathcal{B}}) = j_{\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{F})}(q^{\mathcal{B}})$ . Now by Lemma ???.  $i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})}(q^{\mathcal{B}}) = \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(j_{\mathcal{F}}(q^{\mathcal{B}})) = j_{\mathcal{F}}(q^{\mathcal{B}})$ , and the claim follows.

Finally we prove that  $j_{\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{F})}$  preserves  $/_q$ . Let  $//_q$  denote the interpretation of  $/_q$  in  $\Pi_q^{-1}(\Pi_q(\mathcal{F}))$  (and let us identify  $/_q$  with its realization in  $\mathcal{F}$ ). Let  $x, y \in \mathcal{F}$ , and let us prove that  $j_{\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{F})}(x/_q y) = j_{\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{F})}(x)//_q j_{\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{F})}(y)$ . Since  $x/_q y = u(x)/_q u(y)$  and  $j_{\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{F})}$  preserves the operation  $u$ , we may assume without loss of generality that  $u(x) = x$  and  $u(y) = y$ . Thus letting  $\mathcal{D} = \Pi_q(\mathcal{F})$ , we have  $x, y \in \mathcal{D}$ , and  $j_{\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{F})}(x) = \Pi_q(j_{\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{F})}(x)) = i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{D})}(x)$ . Similarly,  $j_{\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{F})}(y) = i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{D})}(y)$ . Thus recalling the last claim of Lemma ?? and the definition of  $\Pi_q^{-1}$ , we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} j_{\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{F})}(x)//_q j_{\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{F})}(y) &= i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{D})}(x)/_q i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{D})}(y) = i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{D})}(y \rightarrow_q x) = \\ &= j_{\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{F})}(y \rightarrow_q x) = j_{\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{F})}(x/_q y), \end{aligned}$$

and (ii) is proved.

(iii). Set  $\mathcal{F} = \Pi_q^{-1}(\mathcal{A})$ ,  $\mathcal{K} = \Pi_q^{-1}(\mathcal{B})$ ,  $\psi = \Gamma^{-1}(\mathbf{F}(\phi))$ . That  $\psi$  is a homomorphism of c-s-u-f-rings follows from Lemma ???. We prove that  $\psi$  preserves  $q$ . The interpretation of  $q$  in  $\mathcal{F}$  is  $q^{\mathcal{F}} = i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}(q^{\mathcal{A}})$ , and the interpretation of  $q$  in  $\mathcal{K}$  is  $q^{\mathcal{K}} = i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})}(q^{\mathcal{B}})$ . Now by Lemma ???.  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(\psi) \circ i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})} = i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})} \circ \phi$ , therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(q^{\mathcal{F}}) &= \Gamma(\psi)(q^{\mathcal{F}}) = (\Gamma(\psi) \circ i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})})(q^{\mathcal{A}}) = \\ &= (i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})} \circ \phi)(q^{\mathcal{A}}) = i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})}(q^{\mathcal{B}}) = \\ &= q^{\mathcal{K}}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally we prove that  $\psi$  preserves  $/_q$ . Let  $//_q$  denote the interpretation of  $/_q$  in  $\mathcal{K}$ , and let us identify the symbol  $/_q$  and its realization in  $\mathcal{F}$ . Let  $x, y \in \mathcal{F}$ . Since  $x/_q y = u(x)/_q u(y)$ , and since  $\psi$  preserves  $u$ , we can assume without loss of generality that  $x = u(x)$  and  $y = u(y)$ . Then by clause (★) in the definition of  $\Pi_q^{-1}$  we have:

$$x/_q y = i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}((i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})})^{-1}(y) \rightarrow_q (i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})})^{-1}(x)) \quad (2)$$

$$\psi(x)//_q \psi(y) = i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})}((i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})})^{-1}(\psi(y)) \rightarrow_q (i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})})^{-1}(\psi(x))). \quad (3)$$

Note that by Lemma ???.  $\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}^{-1}(\phi)) = i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})} \circ \phi \circ i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}^{-1}$ . Therefore, for all  $z \in \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(\mathcal{F})$ , we have:

$$\psi(z) = (\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(\psi))(z) = (\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}^{-1}(\phi)))(z) = i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})}(\phi(i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}^{-1}(z))). \quad (4)$$

In particular,  $\psi(x) = i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})}(\phi(i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}^{-1}(x)))$  and  $\psi(y) = i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})}(\phi(i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}^{-1}(y)))$ , therefore

$$(i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})})^{-1}(\psi(y)) = \phi(i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}^{-1}(y)) \text{ and } (i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})})^{-1}(\psi(x)) = \phi(i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}^{-1}(x)). \quad (5)$$

Substituting in eq. (3), recalling that  $\phi$  and  $i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}^{-1}$  are homomorphisms of  $\text{L}\Pi_q$ -algebras and using eq. (4) and eq. (2), we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(x)//_q \psi(y) &= i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})}(\phi(i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}^{-1}(y)) \rightarrow_q \phi(i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}^{-1}(x))) = \\ &= i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})}(\phi(i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}^{-1}(y) \rightarrow_q i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}^{-1}(x))) \\ &= i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{B})}(\phi(i_{\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{A})}^{-1}(y \rightarrow_q x))) \\ &= \psi(y \rightarrow_q x) \\ &= \psi(x/_q y). \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

This concludes the proof of the lemma.

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