

# Compatible tight Riesz orders on groups of integer-valued functions

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A construction due to Reilly is extended to show that there is a correspondence between compatible tight Riesz orders on  $Z^X$  and non-principal filters on  $X$ . The maximal compatible tight Riesz orders are in one-to-one correspondence with non-principal ultrafilters, and are dual prime subsets of the positive set of  $Z^X$ . Conversely every dual prime algebraic Riesz order is maximal.

The lattice-ordered group  $Z^X$  of all functions defined on the set  $X$  and taking values in the totally-ordered group of rational integers  $Z$  admits no compatible tight Riesz order when  $X$  is finite. This can be seen by induction or, more conceptually the fact that  $Z^X$  then has no order-dense homomorphic image, and also from the fact that when  $X$  is finite all ultrafilters on  $X$  are principal. When  $X$  is infinite, however, there are compatible tight Riesz orders on  $Z^X$ : in the countably infinite case Reilly [4] has a construction that gives a compatible tight Riesz order for each non-principal ultrafilter on  $X$ .

For the definition of a compatible tight Riesz order on a lattice-ordered group see Wirth [5], where the following characterization occurs: a subset  $T$  of an abelian lattice-ordered group  $(G, \leq)$  is the strict positive set for a compatible tight Riesz order on  $G$  if and only if the following three conditions are satisfied:

- (1)  $T$  is a proper dual ideal of  $G^+ = \{g \in G : g \geq 0\}$  ;

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- (2)  $T = T + T$  ;
- (3) if  $0 \leq nx \leq y$  for all  $y \in T$  , for all integers  $n \geq 1$  , then  $x = 0$  .

Throughout this paper a compatible tight Riesz order on  $Z^X$  will be identified with its strict positive set.

The positive set of  $Z^X$  (namely, the set of  $f \in Z^X$  satisfying  $f(x) \geq 0$  for all  $x \in X$ ) is denoted by  $Z_+^X$ , and that of  $Z$  by  $Z_+$  .

We define the mapping  $\phi : Z^X \times Z \rightarrow Z^X$  by  $\phi(f, m) = (|f| - m) \vee 0$  , where  $|f|$  is the function  $x \rightarrow |f(x)|$  and  $m$  also denotes the constant function whose value at each point of  $X$  is  $m \in Z$  . For each  $f \in Z^X$  the zero set of  $f$  is  $Z(f) = \{x \in X : f(x) = 0\}$  . The complement  $X \setminus Z(f)$  of the zero set of  $f$  is the support of  $f$  , denoted by  $\text{supp}(f)$  .

**LEMMA 1.** *If  $(f, m), (g, n) \in Z_+^X \times Z_+$  then*

$$\phi(f, m) \wedge \phi(g, n) \geq \phi(f \wedge g, \max(m, n))$$

*with equality if  $m = n$  .*

**Proof.** For  $(f, m), (g, n) \in Z_+^X \times Z_+$  ,

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(f, m) \wedge \phi(g, n) &= ((f-m) \vee 0) \wedge ((g-n) \vee 0) = ((f-m) \wedge (g-n)) \vee 0 \\ &\geq ((f-p) \wedge (g-p)) \vee 0 = ((f \wedge g) - p) \vee 0 = \phi(f \wedge g, p) \end{aligned}$$

where  $p = \max(m, n)$  . If  $m = n$  then

$$\phi(f, n) \wedge \phi(g, n) = ((f-n) \wedge (g-n)) \vee 0 = ((f \wedge g) - n) \vee 0 = \phi(f \wedge g, n) .$$

In the following result the term "adjunction" is used in the sense of Mac Lane [3] (and in preference to the equivalent "dual Galois correspondence").

**THEOREM 2.** *There is an adjunction  $\alpha \dashv \beta$  from the set of compatible tight Riesz orders on  $Z^X$  (ordered by inclusion) to the set of non-principal filters on  $X$  (ordered by inclusion).*

**Proof.** If  $F$  is a non-principal filter on  $X$  then  $\beta(F)$  is defined to be the set  $\left\{ f \in Z_+^X : \text{supp} \phi(f, m) \in F \text{ for all } m \in Z_+ \right\}$  . Since

$\text{supp}(0, 0)$  is empty the set  $\beta(F)$  is properly contained in  $Z_+^X$ . Since  $F$  is non-principal there is a sequence  $S_{-1}, S_0, S_1, \dots$  of subsets  $S_i \in F$  with  $S_{-1} = X$ ,  $S_{i+1}$  properly contained in  $S_i$ , and  $\bigcap_{i=0}^{\infty} S_i = \emptyset$ . If  $f : X \rightarrow Z$  is defined by  $f(x) = n$  if  $x \in S_{n-1} \setminus S_n$ ,  $n \geq 0$ , then  $f$  is everywhere defined and

$$\text{supp}\phi(f, m) = \{x \in X : f(x) > m\} = \bigcup_{i=m-1}^{\infty} S_i \in F$$

for all  $m \in Z_+$ , so that  $\beta(F)$  is not empty.

If  $f \in \beta(F)$  and  $g \geq f$  then for each  $m \in Z_+$ ,  $\text{supp}\phi(g, m) \supseteq \text{supp}\phi(f, m) \in F$  so  $\text{supp}\phi(g, m) \in F$  and  $g \in \beta(F)$ . If  $f, g \in \beta(F)$  and  $m \in Z_+$  then

$$\text{supp}\phi(f \wedge g, m) = \text{supp}\phi(f, m) \wedge \phi(g, m) = \text{supp}\phi(f, m) \cap \text{supp}\phi(g, m) \in F$$

so  $f \wedge g \in \beta(F)$ . That is,  $\beta(F)$  is a proper dual ideal of  $Z_+^X$ .

The criterion (3) for  $\beta(F)$  to be a compatible tight Riesz order is satisfied since  $Z^X$  is archimedean. It remains to see that  $\beta(F) = \beta(F) + \beta(F)$ . One inclusion is immediate since

$$\text{supp}\phi(f+g, m) \supseteq \text{supp}\phi(f, m) \cap \text{supp}\phi(g, m)$$

for all  $f, g \in Z_+^X$  and all  $m \in Z_+$ . If, on the other hand,  $f \in \beta(F)$

then we define  $g \in Z^X$  by  $g(x) = [f(x)/2] + 1$ , where, for a rational number  $\xi$ ,  $[\xi]$  is the integral part of  $\xi$ . Suppose that  $m \in Z_+$  and  $m \geq 2$ . If  $x \in \text{supp}\phi(f, 2m-2)$  then  $f(x) > 2m - 2$  so that  $f(x)/2 > m - 1$  and  $[f(x)/2] \geq m - 1$ . In this case  $g(x) \geq m > m - 1$  so that  $\text{supp}\phi(f, 2m-2) \subseteq \text{supp}\phi(g, m-1)$  and, since  $F$  is a filter,  $\text{supp}\phi(g, m-1) \in F$  for all  $m \geq 2$ . Then  $\text{supp}\phi(g, 0) \supseteq \text{supp}\phi(g, 1) \in F$  so that  $g \in \beta(F)$ . Now we have to see that  $h = f - g \in \beta(F)$ . It follows, as above, that  $\text{supp}\phi(f, 2m+2) \subseteq \text{supp}\phi(h, m-1)$  for  $m \geq 1$  so that  $h \in \beta(F)$ . This establishes  $\beta(F)$  as a compatible tight Riesz order on

$Z^X$ .

Suppose that  $T$  is a compatible tight Riesz order on  $Z^X$  and  $\alpha(T) = \{S \subseteq X : S \supseteq \text{supp}\phi(f, m) \text{ for some } f \in T, m \in Z_+\}$ . Then  $\alpha(T)$  is a filter on  $X$  since

$$\text{supp}\phi(f, m) \cap \text{supp}\phi(g, n) = \text{supp}\phi(f, m) \wedge \phi(g, n) \supseteq \text{supp}\phi(f \wedge g, \max(m, n))$$

for  $f, g \in Z_+^X$  and  $m, n \in Z_+$ . If  $\alpha(T)$  is a principal filter then there is an  $x \in X$  such that  $f(x) > m$  for all  $m \in Z_+$ , which is absurd.

Finally we see that the mappings  $\alpha, \beta$ , which are clearly order-preserving, provide us with an adjunction. Suppose that  $\alpha(T) \subseteq F$ , where  $T$  is a compatible tight Riesz order and  $F$  is a non-principal filter on  $X$ . If  $f \in T$  then  $\text{supp}\phi(f, m) \in \alpha(T)$  for all  $m \in Z_+$  by definition of  $\alpha(T)$ , so  $\text{supp}\phi(f, m) \in F$  for all  $m \in Z_+$ . That is,  $f \in \beta(F)$ . On the other hand, suppose that  $T \subseteq \beta(F)$ . If  $S \in \alpha(T)$  then  $S \supseteq \text{supp}\phi(f, m)$  for some  $f \in T, m \in Z_+$ . Since  $f \in \beta(F)$  we have  $\text{supp}\phi(f, n) \in F$  for all  $n \in Z_+$ . In particular,  $S \in F$  so we have  $\alpha(T) \subseteq F$  if and only if  $T \subseteq \beta(F)$ .

We shall assume that the adjunction  $\alpha \dashv \beta$  between the set of compatible tight Riesz orders on  $Z^X$  and the set of non-principal filters on  $X$  is the one described in Theorem 2.

**DEFINITION 3.** A compatible tight Riesz order  $T$  on  $Z^X$  is *prime* if for all  $f, g \in Z_+^X, f \vee g \in T$  implies  $f \in T$  or  $g \in T$ . Further we say that  $T$  is *algebraic* if  $T = \beta\alpha(T)$  (of course,  $T \subseteq \beta\alpha(T)$  in any case).

**THEOREM 4.** *There is a one-to-one correspondence between non-principal ultrafilters on  $X$  and maximal compatible tight Riesz orders on  $Z^X$ . In particular, every maximal compatible tight Riesz order on  $Z^X$  is of the form  $Z_+^X \setminus P_U$  where  $P_U$  is a non-minimal prime subgroup of  $Z^X$  defined in terms of the non-principal ultrafilter  $U$ , so every maximal compatible tight Riesz order is algebraic and prime. Conversely every*

*prime algebraic compatible tight Riesz order is maximal.*

Proof. The one-to-one correspondence between ultrafilters on  $X$  and maximal compatible tight Riesz orders follows immediately from the existence of the adjunction  $\alpha \dashv \beta$  so does the fact that maximal compatible tight Riesz orders are algebraic. If  $U$  is a non-principal ultrafilter on  $X$  then  $P = \left\{ f \in Z^X : Z\phi(f, m) \in U \text{ for some } m \in Z_+ \right\}$  is a proper convex sublattice subgroup of  $Z^X$  which is prime but not minimal prime since  $P_U$  properly contains the prime subgroup  $P_0 = \{f \in Z^X : Z(f) \in U\}$ . Then

$$\beta(U) = \left\{ f \in Z_+^X : \text{supp}\phi(f, m) \in U \text{ for all } m \in Z_+ \right\} = Z_+^X \setminus P_U$$

and  $\beta(U)$  is prime since  $P_U$  is a join sublattice of  $Z^X$ .

Suppose conversely that  $T$  is a prime algebraic compatible tight Riesz order on  $Z^X$ . We shall see that  $\alpha(T)$  is a prime, and therefore maximal, filter on  $X$ . It is sufficient to show that if  $A \cup B \in \alpha(T)$ , where  $A, B \subseteq X$  and  $A \cap B = \square$ , then  $A \in \alpha(T)$  or  $B \in \alpha(T)$ . Suppose  $A \cup B \supseteq \text{supp}\phi(f, m)$  for some  $f \in T$ ,  $m \in Z_+$ , but  $A, B \notin \alpha(T)$ . Then the sets  $A' = \{x \in A : f(x) > m\}$ ,  $B' = \{x \in B : f(x) > m\}$  are non-empty. We define  $g, h : X \rightarrow Z$  as follows:

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \in A' \\ f(x) & \text{if } x \notin A' \end{cases}, \quad h(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \in B' \\ f(x) & \text{if } x \notin B' \end{cases}.$$

Then

$$\text{supp}\phi(g, m) = \{x \in X : g(x) > m\} = B' \subseteq B$$

and

$$\text{supp}\phi(h, m) = \{x \in X : h(x) > m\} = A' \subseteq A.$$

Further,  $g \vee h = f \in T$  so either  $g \in T$  or  $h \in T$  (since  $g, h \in Z_+^X$ ).

Thus  $B \in \alpha(T)$  or  $A \in \alpha(T)$ . Since  $\alpha(T)$  is a prime filter on  $X$  it is an ultrafilter, and  $T = \beta\alpha(T)$  is a maximal compatible tight Riesz order.

**COROLLARY 5.** *If  $X$  has cardinality  $k \geq \aleph_0$  then there are  $2^{2^k}$  maximal compatible tight Riesz orders on  $Z^X$ .*

*Proof.* There are  $2^{2^k}$  non-principal ultrafilters on  $Z^X$  (Bell and Slomson [1], p. 108).

**COROLLARY 6.** *If  $T$  is an algebraic tight Riesz order on  $Z^X$  then  $T = Z^X_+ \setminus \bigcup \{P_{U_i} : i \in I\}$  for some class  $\{U_i : i \in I\}$  of non-principal ultrafilters on  $X$ .*

For a given ultrafilter  $U$  on  $X$  the totally-ordered group  $Z^X/P_U$  has the same first-order properties as  $Z$ , since this group is an ultrapower of  $Z$ . If  $U$  is a non-principal ultrafilter the totally-ordered group  $Z^X/P_U$  must be dense however, since  $Z^X_+ \setminus P_U$  is a compatible tight Riesz order.

**THEOREM 7.** *Let  $G$  be an abelian lattice-ordered group and  $I$  a convex sublattice subgroup of  $G$ . Then  $T = G^+ \setminus I$  satisfies  $T = T + T$  if and only if  $G/I$  is a dense lattice-ordered group.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $G/I$  is dense. If  $t \in T$  and  $t + I > 0$  in  $G/I$  then there is an  $x \in G$  satisfying  $t + I > x + I > 0$ . With  $y = (x \vee 0) \wedge t$  we have  $t > y > 0$  so  $y \in G^+ \setminus I$ ,  $t - y \in G^+ \setminus I$  and  $t = y + (t - y) \in T + T$ . The reverse inclusion is immediate. On the other hand suppose that  $T = T + T$  and  $x + I > 0$  in  $G/I$ . Then  $x \in I$  and  $x + y > 0$  for some  $y \in I$  so  $x + y = t_1 + t_2$  where  $t_1, t_2 \in T$ . Then  $0 < t_1 + I < x + I$  so  $G/I$  is dense.

The problem of characterizing the groups  $Z^X/P_U$ , for  $U$  a non-principal ultrafilter on  $X$  does not seem to be easy. Without something like Gödel's axiom of constructability even the cardinality of  $Z^X/P_U$  is unclear. As a group we can write  $Z^X/P_U$  as  $(Z^X/P_0) / P_U/P_0$  and then use known results on the cardinality of ultrapowers in an attempt to determine

the cardinality of  $Z^X/P_U$ .

When  $X$  is countable (non-finite) the cardinality of the ultrapower  $Z^X/P_0$  is  $2^{\aleph_0}$ , for each ultrafilter  $U$  on  $X$  (Bell and Slomson [1], p.129). As Reilly [4] has remarked the prime subgroup  $P_U$  covers  $P_0$  in  $Z^X$  so  $P_U/P_0$  is isomorphic with a subgroup of the real numbers.

The totally-ordered groups  $Z^X/P_U$  admit more interpolation than that implied by density. A result of Gillman and Jerison [2] (Lemma 13.7), is valid with the real numbers  $R$  replaced by  $Z$  and then says that if  $A, B$  are countable subsets of  $Z/P_U$  with  $A < B$  then  $A \leq g \leq B$  for some  $g \in Z^X/P$ . We summarize these properties of  $Z^X/P_U$  in the following statement.

**PROPOSITION 8.** *If  $X$  is a countable set and  $U$  is a non-principal ultrafilter on  $X$  then the group  $G_U = Z^X/P_U$  has the following properties:*

- (1)  $\aleph_0 \leq |G_U| \leq 2^{\aleph_0}$  ;
- (2)  $G_U$  is dense;
- (3) if  $A, B \subseteq G$ ,  $|A \cup B| \leq \aleph_0$  and  $A < B$  then  $A \leq g \leq B$  for some  $g \in G_U$  ;
- (4)  $G_U$  is a quotient of an ultrapower of  $Z$  by a real group.

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