

## COMPLETION OF A HALF LINEARLY CYCLICALLY ORDERED GROUP

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### Abstract

The notion of a half  $lc$ -group  $G$  is a generalization of the notion of a half linearly ordered group. A completion of  $G$  by means of Dedekind cuts in linearly ordered sets and applying Świerczkowski's representation theorem of  $lc$ -groups is constructed and studied.

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J. Jakubík [3] introduced and studied the notions of a half cyclically ordered group and a half linearly cyclically ordered group (half  $lc$ -group) as a generalization of the notions of a half partially ordered group and a half linearly ordered group that were introduced by M. Giraudet and F. Lucas [2].

A completion  $C(H)$  of a linearly cyclically ordered set  $H$  has been defined and studied by V. Novák [5] and by V. Novák and M. Novotný [6].

In [4] it is defined and investigated a completion  $H^*$  of a linearly cyclically ordered group  $H$ . A new construction of a completion  $M(H)$  of  $H$  by using the Dedekind cuts method in linearly ordered sets is contained in [1]. It is proved that  $M(H) = H^*$ .

Half  $lc$ -groups are dealt with in Section 4. If a half  $lc$ -group is at the same time a half linearly ordered group, then its decreasing part consists of

elements of the second order ([2], Proposition I.2.2). The question of the existence of such elements in an arbitrary half  $lc$ -group, is open.

Let  $G$  be a half  $lc$ -group with the increasing part  $H$ . In this paper there is presented a completion  $M_h(G)$  of  $G$ . It is shown that  $M(H)$  is the increasing part of a half  $lc$ -group  $M_h(G)$ .  $G$  is called  $M_h$ -complete if  $M_h(G) = G$ . Necessary and sufficient conditions are found for  $G$  to be  $M_h$ -complete (Theorem 4.12).

## 1. PRELIMINARIES

Assume that  $A$  and  $B$  are linearly ordered sets. Let  $S = \{(a, b) : a \in A, b \in B\}$ . We put  $(a_1, b_1) \leq (a_2, b_2)$  whenever  $b_1 < b_2$  or  $b_1 = b_2$  and  $a_1 \leq a_2$  for each  $(a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2) \in S$ . Then the linearly ordered set  $S$  is said to be the *lexicographic product* of  $A$  and  $B$  and the notation  $S = A \circ B$  will be used.

Let  $L$  be a linearly ordered set and let  $X$  be a subset of  $L$ . Denote by  $X^u(X^l)$  the set of all upper (lower) bounds of  $X$  in  $L$ . Further we denote by  $D(L)$  the system of all subsets of  $L$  of the form  $(X^u)^l$  where  $X$  is a nonempty and upper bounded subset of  $L$ . Elements of  $D(L)$  are called *Dedekind cuts* of  $L$ . If the system  $D(L)$  is partially ordered by inclusion, then  $D(L)$  is a linearly ordered set. The mapping  $\varphi(x) = (\{x\}^u)^l$  is an isomorphism of the linearly ordered set  $L$  into  $D(L)$ . In the next the elements  $x$  and  $\varphi(x)$  will be identified. Then  $L$  is a subset of  $D(L)$  and the following conditions are fulfilled:

( $\alpha_1$ ) For each element  $c \in D(L)$  there exist nonempty subsets  $X$  and  $Y$  of  $L$  such that  $X$  is upper bounded,  $Y$  is lower bounded in  $L$  and  $c = \sup(X) = \inf(Y)$  in  $D(L)$ .

( $\alpha_2$ ) For each nonempty and upper (lower) bounded subset  $X$  ( $Y$ ) of  $L$  there exists an element  $c \in D(L)$ ,  $c = \sup(X)$  ( $c = \inf(Y)$ ) in  $D(L)$ .

If  $A$  is a subset of  $L$  and  $a = \sup(A)$  ( $a = \inf(A)$ ) in  $L$ , then  $a = \sup(A)$  ( $a = \inf(A)$ ) in  $D(L)$ .

For the following two definitions cf. Novák [5].

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $M$  be a nonempty set and let  $C$  be a ternary relation on  $M$  with the following properties:

- (I) If  $(x, y, z) \in C$ , then  $(z, y, x) \notin C$ .
- (II) If  $(x, y, z) \in C$ , then  $(y, z, x) \in C$ .
- (III) If  $(x, y, z) \in C, (x, z, u) \in C$ , then  $(x, y, u) \in C$ .

Then  $C$  is said to be a *cyclic order* on  $M$  and the pair  $(M; C)$  is called a *cyclically ordered set*.

If  $A$  is a subset of  $M$ , then  $A$  is considered as being cyclically ordered by the inherited cyclic order.

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $(M; C)$  be a cyclically ordered set satisfying the following condition:

- (IV) If  $x, y$  and  $z$  are distinct elements of  $M$ , then either  $(x, y, z) \in C$  or  $(z, y, x) \in C$ .

Then  $C$  is said to be an *l-cyclic order* on  $M$  and  $(M; C)$  is called an *l-cyclically ordered set*.

Several terms are used in papers for the term "l-cyclic order". Namely, "l-cyclic order" is called "cyclic order" in [8], "complete cyclic order" in [7], and "linear cyclic order in [5]".

**Definition 1.3** (cf. Rieger [8]). Let  $(H; +)$  be a group and let  $(H; C)$  be a cyclically ordered set satisfying the condition

- (V) if  $x, y, z, a, b \in H$  such that  $(x, y, z) \in C$ , then  $(a + x + b, a + y + b, a + z + b) \in C$ .

Then  $(H; +, C)$  is called a *cyclically ordered group*. If  $C$  is an *l-cyclic order*, then  $(H; +, C)$  is called an *lc-group*.

Each subgroup of a cyclically ordered group is a cyclically ordered group.

**Example 1.4.** Let  $(L; +, \leq)$  be a linearly ordered group and let  $x, y, z \in L$ . We put

- (g)  $(x, y, z) \in C_1$  if and only if  $x < y < z$  or  $y < z < x$  or  $z < x < y$ .

Then  $(L; +, C_1)$  is an *lc-group*. We say that the *l-cyclic order*  $C_1$  is *generated by the linear order  $\leq$  on  $L$* .

In the next, if  $(S; \leq)$  is a linearly ordered set then  $S$  is assumed to be *l-cyclically ordered* with the *l-cyclic order* defined by (g).

**Example 1.5.** Let  $K$  be the set of all reals  $k$  such that  $0 \leq k < 1$  with the natural linear order. Denote by  $C_2$  the *l-cyclic order* on  $K$  defined by (g). The group operation  $+$  on  $K$  is defined as addition mod 1. Then  $(K; +, C_2)$  is an *lc-group*.

We want to define a ternary relation  $C$  on the direct product  $L \times K$  of the groups  $L$  and  $K$ . Let  $u = (x, k_1), v = (y, k_2), w = (z, k_3) \in L \times K$ . We put  $(u, v, w) \in C$  if and only if some of the following conditions is satisfied:

- (i)  $(k_1, k_2, k_3) \in C_2$ ,
- (ii)  $k_1 = k_2 \neq k_3$  and  $x < y$ ,
- (iii)  $k_2 = k_3 \neq k_1$  and  $y < z$ ,
- (iv)  $k_3 = k_1 \neq k_2$  and  $z < x$ ,
- (v)  $k_1 = k_2 = k_3$  and  $(x, y, z) \in C_1$ .

Then  $(L \times K; C)$  is an  $lc$ -group which is denoted by  $L \otimes K$ .

An isomorphism of cyclically ordered groups is defined in a natural way.

**Theorem 1.6** (Świerczkowski [9]). *Let  $H$  be an  $lc$ -group. Then there exists a linearly ordered group  $L$  such that  $H$  is isomorphic to a subgroup of  $L \otimes K$ .*

In the next  $H$  will be considered as a subgroup of  $L \otimes K$ . We denote

$$\begin{aligned} L_1 &= \{x \in L : \text{there exists } k \in K \text{ with } (x, k) \in H\}, \\ K_1 &= \{k \in K : \text{there exists } x \in L \text{ with } (x, k) \in H\}, \\ H_0 &= \{h \in H : \text{there exists } x \in L \text{ with } h = (x, 0)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $L_1$  is a subgroup of  $L$ ,  $K_1$  is a subgroup of  $K$ , and  $H_0$  is an invariant subgroup of  $H$ . Moreover,  $H_0$  is a linearly ordered group if we put  $h > 0$  if and only if  $x > 0$ . It can happen that  $H_0 = \{0\}$ .

Let  $(G; +)$  be a group and let  $(G; C)$  be a cyclically ordered set,  $x, y, z \in G$ . Form the sets

$$\begin{aligned} G \uparrow &= \{g \in G : (x, y, z) \in C \implies (g + x, g + y, g + z) \in C\}, \\ G \downarrow &= \{g \in G : (x, y, z) \in C \implies (g + z, g + y, g + x) \in C\}. \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 1.7.** (cf. Jakubík [3].) Let  $(G; +)$  be a group and let  $(G; C)$  be a cyclically ordered set such that the following conditions are fulfilled:

- (1) the system  $C$  is nonempty;
- (2) if  $g \in G$  and  $(x, y, z) \in C$ , then  $(x + g, y + g, z + g) \in C$ ;
- (3)  $G = G \uparrow \cup G \downarrow$ ;
- (4) if  $(x, y, z) \in C$ , then either  $\{x, y, z\} \subseteq G \uparrow$  or  $\{x, y, z\} \subseteq G \downarrow$ .

Then  $(G; +, C)$  is said to be a *half cyclically ordered group*.

$G \uparrow$  ( $G \downarrow$ ) is called the *increasing* (*decreasing*, resp.) part of  $G$ .

If  $(G; +, C)$  is a half cyclically ordered group, then  $G \uparrow$  is a cyclically ordered group. If  $G \uparrow$  is an *lc*-group, then  $(G; +, C)$  is called a *half lc-group*.

Let  $(G; +, C)$  be a half cyclically ordered group and let  $G'$  be a subgroup of  $G$  with the nonempty inherited cyclic order  $C'$ . Then  $(G; +, C')$  is called an *hc-subgroup* of  $(G; +, C)$ .

We shall often write briefly  $G$  instead of  $(G; +, C)$  or  $(G; C)$ .

Each cyclically ordered group with a nontrivial cyclic order is a half cyclically ordered group with  $G \uparrow = G$  and  $G \downarrow = \emptyset$ .

If  $x, y \in G \uparrow$  and  $u, v \in G \downarrow$ , then  $x + y \in G \uparrow$ ,  $u + v \in G \uparrow$ ,  $x + u \in G \downarrow$ ,  $u + x \in G \downarrow$ . This follows from 1.7.

## 2. COMPLETION OF AN L-CYCLICALLY ORDERED SET

The definitions and results in this section are due to Novák [5].

Assume that  $(H, C)$  is an *l*-cyclically ordered set and let  $x \in H$ . If, for each  $y, z \in H$ , we put  $y <_x z$  if and only if either  $(x, y, z) \in C$  or  $x = y \neq z$ , then  $<_x$  is a linear order on  $H$  with the least element  $x$ .

**Definition 2.1.** A linear order  $<$  on  $H$  is called a *cut* on  $(H; C)$  if the cyclic order generated by the linear order  $<$  coincides with the original cyclic order  $C$  on  $H$ .

The linear order  $<_x$  is a cut on  $(H; C)$ .

Let  $<$  be a cut on  $(H; C)$ . The following three cases can occur:

- (i)  $(H; <)$  has the least and the greatest element.
- (ii)  $(H; <)$  has neither the least nor the greatest element.
- (iii)  $(H; <)$  has either the least or the greatest element.

In the case (ii) a cut  $<$  is called a *gap*. If  $(H; C)$  contains no gaps, then it is called *complete*.

**Definition 2.2.** A cut  $<$  on  $(H; C)$  is said to be *regular* if some of the following conditions is satisfied:

- (i)  $<$  is a gap,
- (ii)  $(H; <)$  has the least element.

Denote by  $\mathcal{R}(H)$  the set of all regular cuts on  $(H; C)$ . Let  $c_1 = <_1$ ,  $c_2 = <_2$ , and  $c_3 = <_3$  be distinct elements of  $\mathcal{R}(H)$ . We put  $(c_1, c_2, c_3) \in \bar{C}$  if and only if there are elements  $x, y, z \in H$  such that

$$x <_1 y <_1 z, y <_2 z <_2 x, z <_3 x <_3 y.$$

For each  $x \in H$  we put  $\varphi(x) = <_x$ .

**Theorem 2.3** (cf. [5], 4.2 and 4.3).  $(\mathcal{R}(H); \bar{C})$  is an *l-cyclically ordered set* and  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism of the *l-cyclically ordered set*  $H$  into  $\mathcal{R}(H)$ .

Elements  $x$  and  $\varphi(x)$  will be identified. Hence  $H$  is considered as a subset of  $\mathcal{R}(H)$ .  $\mathcal{R}(H)$  is a complete *l-cyclically ordered set* and it is said to be a *completion* of  $H$ .

### 3. COMPLETION OF AN *lc*-GROUP

In the whole section  $H$  is assumed to be an *lc*-group. A construction of a completion  $M(H)$  of  $H$  will be recalled (cf. [1]) and some auxiliary results will be derived.

Let  $L_1, K_1, L_1 \otimes K_1$  be as in Section 1. The linear order on the lexicographic product  $L_1 \circ K_1$  of the linearly ordered sets  $L_1$  and  $K_1$  is a cut on the *l-cyclically ordered set*  $L_1 \otimes K_1$  and  $H$  is a subset of  $L_1 \circ K_1$ .

Therefore,  $D(H)$  can be considered as a subset of  $D(L_1 \circ K_1)$ . We have  $H \subseteq D(H) \subseteq D(L_1 \circ K_1)$ .

If the system  $\bar{D}(H) = D(H) \cup \{H\}$  is partially ordered by inclusion, then  $\{H\}$  is the greatest element of the chain  $\bar{D}(H)$ .

**Lemma 3.1** (cf. [1], 3.4). *The l-cyclically ordered set  $\bar{D}(H)$  is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{R}(H)$ .  $\mathcal{R}(H)$  and  $\bar{D}(H)$  will be identified.*

Let  $c \in \bar{D}(H)$ ,  $A \subseteq H$ ,  $k \in K_1$ . Denote

$$A_k = \{a \in A : a = (x, k) \text{ for some } x \in L_1\},$$

$$A(L_1) = \{x \in L_1 : \text{there exists } k_1 \in K_1 \text{ with } (x, k_1) \in A\},$$

$$A(K_1) = \{k_1 \in K_1 : \text{there exists } x \in L, \text{ with } (x, k_1) \in A\},$$

$$U(c) = \{u \in H : u \geq c\}, \quad V(c) = \{v \in H : v \leq c\}.$$

Then according to  $(\alpha_1)$  we obtain

$$c = \sup(V(c)) = \inf(U(c)) \text{ in } \bar{D}(H).$$

Let  $c_1, c_2 \in \bar{D}(H)$ . Then

$$c_1 = \sup(V(c_1)) = \inf(U(c_1)), \text{ and } c_2 = \sup(V(c_2)) = \inf(U(c_2)) \text{ in } \bar{D}(H).$$

Now, we intend to define the operation  $+$  on  $\bar{D}(H)$ .

If for all elements  $v_1 = (x, k_1) \in V(c_1), v_2 = (y, k_2) \in V(c_2)$  the relation  $k_1 +_r k_2 < 1$  holds, where  $+_r$  is the usual operation on the group of reals, then we put

$$c_1 + c_2 = \sup\{v_1 + v_2 : v_1 \in V(c_1), v_2 \in V(c_2)\} \text{ in } \bar{D}(H).$$

If there are elements  $v_1 \in V(c_1), v_2 \in V(c_2)$  such that  $k_1 +_r k_2 \geq 1$ , then we put

$$c_1 + c_2 = \sup\{v_1 + v_2 : v_1 \in V(c_1), v_2 \in V(c_2), k_1 +_r k_2 \geq 1\} \text{ in } \bar{D}(H).$$

Then  $(\bar{D}(H); +)$  is a semigroup and  $0 \in H$  is a neutral element of  $(\bar{D}(H); +)$ . If  $M(H)$  is the set of all elements of  $\bar{D}(H)$  that have an inverse in  $\bar{D}(H)$ , then  $M(H)$  is a group. The *lc*-group  $M(H)$  (with the inherited cyclic order from  $\bar{D}(H)$ ) is said to be a *completion* of  $H$ .  $M(H)$  is a maximal subsemigroup of  $\bar{D}(H)$  being a group and  $H$  is a subgroup of  $M(H)$ .

Remark that the notion of a completion  $H^*$  of  $H$  was defined also in [4] in a formally different way. It was proved in [1] that  $M(H) = H^*$ .

If  $M(H) = H$ , then  $H$  is called *M-complete*. From the definition of  $H^*$ , it follows that  $(H^*)^* = H^*$ . Therefore,  $M(H)$  is *M-complete*.

At first  $M(H)$  will be investigated under the assumption  $H_0 \neq \{0\}$  and then under that  $H_0 = \{0\}$ .

Suppose that  $H_0 \neq \{0\}$ .

Let  $c \in \bar{D}(H)$ . Assume that the set  $V(c)(K_1)$  has the greatest element  $k \in K_1$  which is at the same time the least element of  $U(c)(K_1)$ . Then we say that  $c$  is of type  $(\tau)$ . Therefore, the sets  $(V(c))_k$  and  $(U(c))_k$  are nonempty and we have

$$(1) \quad c = \sup(V(c))_k = \inf(U(c))_k \text{ in } \bar{D}(H).$$

Let  $c, c_i \in \bar{D}(H)$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3$ ) be elements of type  $(\tau)$ . If no misunderstanding can occur, the corresponding greatest elements of  $V(c)(K_1)$  and  $V(c_i)(K_1)$  will be denoted by  $k$  and  $k_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3$ ), respectively.

By (1), we have

$$c_1 = \sup(V(c_1))_{k_1}, \text{ and } c_2 = \sup(V(c_2))_{k_2} \text{ in } \bar{D}(H).$$

The definition of the operation  $+$  in  $\bar{D}(H)$  implies

$$(2) \quad c_1 + c_2 = \sup\{v_1 + v_2 : v_1 \in (V(c_1))_{k_1}, v_2 \in (V(c_2))_{k_2}\} \text{ in } \bar{D}(H).$$

Evidently, that  $c_1 + c_2$  is of type  $(\tau)$ .

Let  $c \in \bar{D}(H)$  be of type  $(\tau)$ ,  $S, T \subseteq H$ , and  $c = \sup(S) = \inf(T)$  in  $\bar{D}(H)$ . Then  $k$  is the greatest element of  $S(K)$  and the least element of  $T(K)$ . Therefore,  $S_k$  and  $T_k$  are nonempty subsets of  $H$  and we have

$$(3) \quad c = \sup(S_k) = \inf(T_k) \text{ in } \bar{D}(H).$$

Let  $w_1, w_2 \in H$ ,  $w_1 = (x_1, k)$ , and  $w_2 = (x_2, k)$ . Evidently,  $w_1 \leq w_2$  implies  $w_1 + w \leq w_2 + w$  and  $w + w_1 \leq w + w_2$  for each  $w \in H$ . This result will be applied in the sequel.

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $c_1, c_2$  be elements of  $\bar{D}(H)$  of type  $(\tau)$ ,  $S_1, S_2 \subseteq H$ , and let  $c_1 = \sup S_1, c_2 = \sup S_2$  in  $\bar{D}(H)$ . Then*

$$c_1 + c_2 = \sup\{s_1 + s_2 : s_1 \in S_{1k_1}, s_2 \in S_{2k_2}\} \text{ in } \bar{D}(H).$$



**Proof.** There exists  $c \in \bar{D}(H)$ ,  $c = \sup\{s_1 + s_2 : s_1 \in S_{1k_1}, s_2 \in S_{2k_2}\}$ . Therefore,  $c$  is of type  $(\tau)$ ,  $k = k_1 + k_2$  is the greatest element of  $V(c)(K_1)$  and also the least element of  $U(c)(K_1)$ . From  $S_{1k_1} \subseteq (V(c_1))_{k_1}, S_{2k_2} \subseteq V(c_2)_{k_2}$  and from (2), we infer that  $c \leq c_1 + c_2$ . We are going to show that  $c_1 + c_2 \leq c$ , i.e.,  $(U(c))_k \subseteq (U(c_1 + c_2))_k$ . Let  $h \in (U(c))_k$ . Then  $h \geq s_1 + s_2$  for each  $s_1 \in S_{1k_1}, s_2 \in S_{2k_2}, -s_1 + h \geq s_2$  for each  $s_2 \in S_{2k_2}$ . With respect to (3) and (1), we get  $-s_1 + h \geq c_2 \geq v_2$  for each  $v_2 \in (V(c_2))_{k_2}$ . By using (3) and (1), from  $h - v_2 \geq s_1$  for each  $s_1 \in S_{1k_1}$ , it follows that  $h - v_2 \geq c_1 \geq v_1$  for each  $v_1 \in (V(c_1))_{k_1}$ , and so  $h \geq v_1 + v_2$  for each  $v_1 \in (V(c_1))_{k_1}, v_2 \in (V(c_2))_{k_2}$ . In view of (2), we get  $h \geq c_1 + c_2$ . We conclude that  $h \in (U(c_1 + c_2))_k$ . ■

**Lemma 3.3** (cf. [1], 3.6 and 3.9). *Let  $c \in \bar{D}(H)$ .*

- (i) *If  $c = \{H\}$ , then  $c \notin M(H)$ .*
- (ii) *If  $c \neq \{H\}$ , then  $c \in M(H)$  if and only if the following conditions are satisfied in  $H$ :*

$$(p_1) \quad \inf\{u - v : u \in U(c), v \in V(c)\} = 0,$$

$$\inf\{-v + u : u \in U(c), v \in V(c)\} = 0.$$

- (iii) *If  $c \in M(H)$ , then  $c$  is of type  $(\tau)$ .*

**Lemma 3.4.** *Let  $c \in \bar{D}(H)$  be of type  $(\tau)$ ,  $S, T \subseteq H$ ,  $c = \sup(S) = \inf(T)$  in  $\bar{D}(H)$ . Then  $c \in M(H)$  if and only if the following conditions are satisfied in  $H$ :*

$$(p_2) \quad \inf\{t - s : s \in S_k, t \in T_k\} = 0 \text{ and } \inf\{-s + t : s \in S_k, t \in T_k\} = 0.$$

**Proof.** Let  $c \in \bar{D}(H)$  be of type  $(\tau)$ . Hence  $c \neq \{H\}$ . In view of Lemma 3.3, we prove that the conditions  $(p_1)$  and  $(p_2)$  are equivalent. It suffices to show that  $(p_1)$  implies  $(p_2)$ .

Assume that  $(p_1)$  holds. With respect to (3), we get  $c = \sup(S_k) = \inf(T_k)$  in  $\bar{D}(H)$ . From  $s \leq t$ , we infer  $t - s \geq 0$  for each  $s \in S_k, t \in T_k$ .

Assume that  $d \in H$ ,  $d = (x, k')$ ,  $d \leq t - s$  for each  $s \in S_k$ ,  $t \in T_k$ . Hence  $k' = 0$ . We have to prove that  $d \leq 0$ . Since  $d + s \leq t$  for each  $t \in T_k$ ,  $d + s \leq c$ . Therefore,  $d + s \leq u$  for each  $u \in (U(c))_k$ , and  $s \leq -d + u$  for each  $s \in S_k$ . This implies that  $c \leq -d + u$  and so  $v \leq -d + u$  for each  $v \in (V(c))_k$ . Hence  $d \leq u - v$  for each  $u \in (U(c))_k$ ,  $v \in (V(c))_k$  and then also for each  $u \in U(c)$ ,  $v \in V(c)$ . The condition  $(p_1)$  implies  $d \leq 0$ . The remaining case is similar. ■

The following lemma is easy to verify.

**Lemma 3.5.** *Let  $c_1, c_2$  and  $c$  be elements of  $\bar{D}(H)$  of type  $(\tau)$  such that  $k_1 = k_2$ . If  $c_1 \leq c_2$ , then  $c_1 + c \leq c_2 + c$  and  $c + c_1 \leq c + c_2$ .*

**Lemma 3.6.** *Let  $c_1, c_2 \in M(H)$ ,  $S_i, T_i \subseteq H$ ,  $c_i = \sup(S_i) = \inf(T_i)$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) in  $\bar{D}(H)$ . Then*

$$c_1 + c_2 = \inf\{t_1 + t_2 : t_1 \in T_{1k_1}, t_2 \in T_{2k_2}\} \text{ in } \bar{D}(H).$$

**Proof.** Let  $c_1, c_2 \in M(H)$ . According to Lemma 3.3,  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are of type  $(\tau)$ . We have  $s_1 + s_2 \leq t_1 + t_2$  for each  $s_i \in S_{ik_i}, t_i \in T_{ik_i}$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ). Denote  $c = c_1 + c_2$  and  $c' = \inf\{t_1 + t_2 : t_1 \in T_{1k_1}, t_2 \in T_{2k_2}\}$ . Since  $c \in M(H)$ ,  $c$  is of type  $(\tau)$ . For the greatest element  $k$  of  $(V(c))(K_1)$ , we have  $k = k_1 + k_2$ . The element  $c'$  is also of type  $(\tau)$  and  $k$  is the greatest element of  $(V(c'))(K_1)$ . With respect to Lemma 3.2, we have  $c = \sup\{s_1 + s_2 : s_1 \in S_{1k_1}, s_2 \in S_{2k_2}\}$ . Then  $c \leq c'$ . We have to show that  $c' \leq c$ , i.e.,  $(V(c'))_k \subseteq (V(c))_k$ . Let  $h \in (V(c'))_k$ . From  $h \leq c'$ , we infer  $h \leq t_1 + t_2$  for each  $t_1 \in T_{1k_1}, t_2 \in T_{2k_2}$ . Hence  $h - t_2 \leq t_1$  for each  $t_1 \in T_{1k_1}$  and so  $h - t_2 \leq c_1$ . Applying Lemma 3.5 and  $c_1 \in M(H)$ , we get  $-c_1 + h \leq t_2$  for each  $t_2 \in T_2$ . This yields  $-c_1 + h \leq c_2$ . Again by using Lemma 3.5 and  $c_1 \in M(H)$ , we obtain  $h \leq c$ . Therefore,  $h \in (V(c))_k$ . ■

By summarising the previous results, we get:

**Theorem 3.7.** *Let  $H_0 \neq \{0\}$ . The lc-group  $M(H)$  has the following properties:*

- (a)  $M(H)$  is  $M$ -complete;
- (b)  $H$  is a subgroup of  $M(H)$ ;

- (c) for each element  $c \in M(H)$  there exist  $k \in K_1$  and  $S, T \subseteq H$  such that  $S_k$  and  $T_k$  are nonempty subsets of  $H$ , and  $c = \sup(S_k) = \inf(T_k)$  in  $M(H)$ . ■

**Theorem 3.8.** *Let  $H_0 \neq \{0\}$ . Assume that  $H'$  is an  $lc$ -group fulfilling the conditions (a)–(c) (with  $H'$  instead of  $M(H)$ ). Then there exists an isomorphism  $\phi$  of the  $lc$ -group  $M(H)$  onto  $H'$  such that  $\phi(h) = h$  for each  $h \in H$ .*

**Proof.** Assume that  $c \in M(H)$ . According respect to (c), there exist  $k \in K_1, S, T \subseteq H$  such that  $c = \sup(S_k) = \inf(T_k)$  in  $M(H)$  (recall that  $k$  is the greatest (least) element of  $S(K_1)(T(K_1))$ ). Let  $Z_1 = \{t - s : t \in T_k, s \in S_k\}$  and  $Z_2 = \{-s + t : s \in S_k, t \in T_k\}$ . With respect to Lemma 3.4, we get  $\inf(Z_1) = \inf(Z_2) = 0$  in  $H$ . Let  $T' = \{h' \in H' : h' \geq s \text{ for each } s \in S_k\}$  and  $S' = \{h' \in H' : h' \leq t' \text{ for each } t' \in T'\}$ . There exists  $c' \in D(H')$  with  $c' = \sup(S') = \inf(T')$  in  $D(H')$ . We have  $c' = \sup(S'_k) = \inf(T'_k)$  in  $D(H')$ . Let us denote  $Z'_1 = \{t' - s' : s' \in S'_k, t' \in T'_k\}$  and  $Z'_2 = \{-s' + t' : s' \in S'_k, t' \in T'_k\}$ . We get  $\inf(Z_1) = \inf(Z'_1) = 0, \inf(Z_2) = \inf(Z'_2) = 0$  in  $H'$ . Then Lemma 3.4 yields that  $c' \in M(H')$ . According to (a),  $M(H') = H'$  and so  $c' \in H'$ .

We put  $\phi(c) = c'$ . It is easy to verify that  $\phi$  is correctly defined and that  $\phi$  is an isomorphism of the  $lc$ -group  $M(H)$  onto  $H'$  with  $\phi(h) = h$  for each  $h \in H$ . ■

Now assume that  $H_0 = \{0\}$ . We may suppose that  $H$  is a subgroup of  $K$ . If  $H$  is finite then  $M(H) = H$ . If  $H$  is infinite, then the  $lc$ -group  $M(H)$  is isomorphic to  $K$  (cf. [4] and [1]).

In both cases  $H_0 \neq \{0\}$  and  $H_0 = \{0\}$  the following theorem holds.

**Theorem 3.9** (cf. [4], 7.5). *Let  $H$  be an  $lc$ -group. Then  $H$  is  $M$ -complete if and only if some of the following conditions is satisfied:*

- (i)  $H$  is finite;
- (ii)  $H$  isomorphic to  $K$ ;
- (iii)  $H_0 \neq \{0\}$  and  $H_0$  is  $M$ -complete.

4. COMPLETION OF A HALF  $lc$ -GROUP

In the present section we suppose that  $G$  is a half  $lc$ -group with a cyclic order  $C$  and with  $G \downarrow \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $G$  fails to be an  $lc$ -group.

We shall use the notations  $G \uparrow = H$  and  $G \downarrow = H'$ . As in the previous sections  $H \subseteq L_1 \circ K_1$  and  $D(H) \subseteq D(L_1 \circ K_1)$ . Assume that there exists an element  $a \in H'$  of the second order. The mapping  $\psi : H \rightarrow H'$  defined by  $\psi(h) = a + h$  is a bijection reversing the  $l$ -cyclic order of  $H$ . If for each  $h_1, h_2 \in H$  we set  $a + h_1 \leq a + h_2$  if and only if  $h_2 \leq h_1$ , then  $a + H$  is a linearly ordered set. We have  $h_1 + a \leq h_2 + a$  if and only if  $h_1 \leq h_2$ .

Assume that  $H_0 \neq \{0\}$ .

**Lemma 4.1** (cf. [3], 3.6).  $H_0$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ .

**Lemma 4.2** (cf. [3], 3.8).  $A = H_0 \cup (a + H_0)$  is a half  $lc$ -subgroup of  $G$ . Moreover,  $A$  is a half linearly ordered group.

**Lemma 4.3.** Let  $h_1, h_2 \in H, h_1 = (x_1, k_1), h_2 = (x_2, k_2), a + h_1 + a = (x'_1, k'_1)$ , and  $a + h_2 + a = (x'_2, k'_2)$ . Then  $k_1 = k_2$  if and only if  $k'_1 = k'_2$ .

**Proof.** Let  $k_1 = k_2$ . Then  $h_1 - h_2 \in H_0$ . Using Lemma 4.1 we get  $a + h_1 + a - (a + h_2 + a) = a + (h_1 - h_2) + a \in H_0$ . Hence  $k'_1 = k'_2$ . The converse is analogous. ■

**Lemma 4.4.** Let  $h_1, h_2 \in H, h_1 = (x_1, k)$  and  $h_2 = (x_2, k)$ . Assume that  $h_1 < h_2$ . Then  $a + h_2 + a < a + h_1 + a$ .

**Proof.** Let  $a + h_1 + a = (x, k_1)$  and  $a + h_2 + a = (y, k_2)$ . By Lemma 4.3, we get  $k_1 = k_2$ .

If  $k = 0$ , then  $h_1, h_2 \in H_0$  and the assertion follows from Lemma 4.2.

If  $k \neq 0$ , then  $k_1 \neq 0$  as well and  $0 < h_1 < h_2$  yields that  $(0, h_1, h_2) \in C$ . This implies that  $(a + h_2 + a, a + h_1 + a, 0) \in C$ . Hence  $y < x$  and thus  $a + h_2 + a < a + h_1 + a$ . ■

Assume that  $c_1, c_2 \in \bar{D}(H)$  are of type  $(\tau), S_i, T_i \subseteq H, c_i = \sup(S_i) = \inf(T_i) (i = 1, 2)$  in  $\bar{D}(H)$  and that  $k_i \in K_1$  corresponds to  $c_i (i = 1, 2)$  as in Section 3. Then  $c_i = \sup(S_{ik_i}) = \inf(T_{ik_i}) (i = 1, 2)$  in  $\bar{D}(H)$ .

Let  $s_i \in S_{ik_i}, t_i \in T_{ik_i} (i = 1, 2)$ . From  $s_1 \leq t_1, s_2 \leq t_2$  for each  $s_i \in S_{ik_i}, t_i \in T_{ik_i} (i = 1, 2)$ , we obtain  $a + t_1 + a + s_2 \leq a + t_1 + a + t_2$ . According to Lemma 4.4 we get  $a + t_1 + a + t_2 \leq a + s_1 + a + t_2$ . Hence  $a + t_1 + a + s_2 \leq a + s_1 + a + t_2$ . Thus there exist  $\sup\{a + t_1 + a + s_2 : s_2 \in S_{2k_2}, t_1 \in T_{1k_1}\}$  and  $\inf\{a + s_1 + a + t_2 : s_1 \in S_{1k_1}, t_2 \in T_{2k_2}\}$  in  $\bar{D}(H)$ .

**Lemma 4.5.** *Let  $S_i, T_i \subseteq H, c_i \in M(H), c_i = \sup(S_i) = \inf(T_i) (i = 1, 2), c \in \bar{D}(H)$ , and  $c = \sup\{a + t_1 + a + s_2 : s_2 \in S_{2k_2}, t_1 \in T_{1k_1}\}$  in  $\bar{D}(H)$ . Then*

- (i)  $c \in M(H)$ ,
- (ii)  $c = \inf\{a + s_1 + a + t_2 : s_1 \in S_{1k_1}, t_2 \in T_{2k_2}\}$  in  $\bar{D}(H)$ .

**Proof.** (i) We have to prove that there exists an inverse to  $c$  in  $\bar{D}(H)$ . By Lemma 3.3 elements  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are of type  $(\tau)$ . Hence  $c$  is of type  $(\tau)$  as well. Denote  $B = \{a + t_1 + a + s_2 : s_2 \in S_{2k_2}, t_1 \in T_{1k_1}\}, D = \{a + s_1 + a + t_2 : s_1 \in S_{1k_1}, t_2 \in T_{2k_2}\}$ . For the element  $k \in K_1$  corresponding to  $c$  we have  $k = k_1 + k_2, k$  is the greatest element of  $B(K_1)$  and the least element of  $D(K_1)$ . From  $b \leq d$  for each  $b \in B, d \in D, b = (x, k), d = (y, k)$ , we infer that  $d - b \geq 0$ . Let  $h \in H, h \leq d - b$  for each  $b \in B, d \in D$ . Then  $h \in H_0, h = (z, 0)$ . We have  $h \leq a + s_1 + a + t_2 - (a + t_1 + a + s_2) = a + s_1 + a + t_2 - s_2 + a - t_1 + a \in H_0$ . This yields that  $a - s_1 + a + h + a + t_1 + a \leq t_2 - s_2$  for each  $s_2 \in S_{2k_2}, t_2 \in T_{2k_2}$ . Since  $c_2 \in M(H)$ , by using Lemma 3.4, we obtain  $\inf\{t_2 - s_2 : s_2 \in S_{2k_2}, t_2 \in T_{2k_2}\} = 0$  in  $H$ . Then  $a - s_1 + a + h + a + t_1 + a \leq 0, a + h + a \geq s_1 - t_1, a - h + a \leq t_1 - s_1$  for each  $s_1 \in S_{1k_1}, t_1 \in T_{1k_1}$ . Since  $c_1 \in M(H)$ , Lemma 3.4 implies  $a - h + a \leq 0, h \leq 0$ . Therefore

$$(*) \quad \inf\{d - b : b \in B, d \in D\} = 0 \text{ in } H.$$

In an analogous way, we get  $\inf\{-b + d : b \in B, d \in D\} = 0$  in  $H$ .

We have  $-d \leq -b$  for each  $b \in B, d \in D$ . Hence the set  $-D = \{-d \in H : d \in D\}$  is nonempty and upper bounded. Hence there exists  $c' \in \bar{D}(H), c' = \sup(-D)$ . We have  $c + c' = \sup\{b + d : b \in B, d \in -D\} = \sup\{b - d : b \in B, d \in D\} = \inf\{d - b : b \in B, d \in D\}$  in  $\bar{D}(H)$ . By using (\*), we get  $\inf\{d - b : b \in B, d \in D\} = 0$  in  $\bar{D}(H)$ . Thus  $c + c' = 0$ . Analogously, we get  $c' + c = 0$ . We conclude that  $c'$  is an inverse to  $c$  in  $\bar{D}(H)$ .

- (ii) The proof is analogous to that of Lemma 3.6. ■

We denote

$$a + M(H) = \{a + c : c \in M(H)\},$$

$$M_h(G) = M(H) \cup (a + M(H)).$$

Recall that  $\bar{D}(H)$  and  $\mathcal{R}(H)$  are identified. The  $l$ -cyclic order on  $M(H) \subseteq \bar{D}(H)$  is denoted by the same symbol  $\bar{C}$  as on  $\mathcal{R}(H)$ .

Let  $c_1, c_2, c_3 \in M(H)$ . We define the ternary relation  $\bar{C}_1$  on  $M_h(G)$  to coincide with  $\bar{C}$  on  $M(H)$  and with  $C$  on  $G$ . Further we put  $(a + c_3, a + c_2, a + c_1) \in \bar{C}_1$  if and only if  $(c_1, c_2, c_3) \in \bar{C}$ . If  $\bar{a}, \bar{b}, \bar{c} \in M_h(G)$ ,  $(\bar{a}, \bar{b}, \bar{c}) \in \bar{C}_1$ , then either  $\{\bar{a}, \bar{b}, \bar{c}\} \subseteq M(H)$  or  $\{\bar{a}, \bar{b}, \bar{c}\} \subseteq a + M(H)$ . Therefore,  $M_h(G)$  is a cyclically ordered set.

We intend to define a binary operation  $+$  on  $M_h(G)$  to coincide with the group operations  $+$  on  $M(H)$  and  $G$ .

Let  $c_i \in M(H)$ ,  $S_i, T_i \subseteq H$ ,  $c_i = \sup(S_i) = \inf(T_i)$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ).

Then  $c_i = \sup(S_{ik_i}) = \inf(T_{ik_i})$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) in  $\bar{D}(H)$ .

As before, we put

$$c_1 + c_2 = \sup\{s_1 + s_2 : s_1 \in S_{1k_1}, s_2 \in S_{2k_2}\} \text{ in } \bar{D}(H).$$

Further we put

$$(a + c_1) + (a + c_2) = \sup\{a + t_1 + a + s_2 : s_2 \in S_{2k_2}, t_1 \in T_{1k_1}\} \text{ in } \bar{D}(H),$$

$$c_1 + (a + c_2) = a + ((a + c_1) + (a + c_2)),$$

$$(a + c_1) + c_2 = a + (c_1 + c_2).$$

According to Lemma 4.5, we have  $(a + c_1) + (a + c_2) \in M(H)$ .

**Lemma 4.6.**  $(M_h(G), +)$  is a group.

**Proof.** We begin with the proof that  $+$  is an associative operation on  $M_h(G)$ .

Denote  $(a + c_1) + (a + c_2) = c$  and  $(a + c_2) + (a + c_3) = c'$ . Hence  $c' = \sup\{a + t_2 + a + s_3 : s_3 \in S_{3k_3}, t_2 \in T_{2k_2}\}$ . In view of Lemma 4.5, we have  $c = \inf\{a + s_1 + a + t_2 : s_1 \in S_{1k_1}, t_2 \in T_{2k_2}\}$ .

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 & ((a + c_1) + (a + c_2)) + (a + c_3) = c + (a + c_3) = a + ((a + c) + (a + c_3)) = \\
 & = a + \sup\{a + a + s_1 + a + t_2 + a + s_3 : s_1 \in S_{1k_1}, s_3 \in S_{3k_3}, t_2 \in T_{2k_2}\} = \\
 & = a + \sup\{s_1 + a + t_2 + a + s_3 : s_1 \in S_{1k_1}, s_3 \in S_{3k_3}, t_2 \in T_{2k_2}\}, \\
 & (a + c_1) + ((a + c_2) + (a + c_3)) = (a + c_1) + c' = a + (c_1 + c') = \\
 & = a + \sup\{s_1 + a + t_2 + a + s_3 : s_1 \in S_{1k_1}, s_3 \in S_{3k_3}, t_2 \in T_{2k_2}\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

We have seen that  $((a+c_1)+(a+c_2))+(a+c_3) = (a+c_1)+((a+c_2)+(a+c_3))$ .

The remaining cases can be verified in a similar way.

Elements of  $M(H)$  have inverses in  $M(H)$ . Let  $a + c \in a + M(H)$ . Then  $a + (a - c + a)$  is an inverse to  $a + c$  in  $a + M(H)$  which completes the proof.  $\blacksquare$

**Lemma 4.7.** *Let  $c, c_i \in M(H)$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3$ ).*

*If  $(c_1, c_2, c_3) \in \bar{C}_1$ , then*

- (i<sub>1</sub>)  $(c_1 + c, c_2 + c, c_3 + c) \in \bar{C}_1$ ,
- (i<sub>2</sub>)  $(c + c_1, c + c_2, c + c_3) \in \bar{C}_1$ ,
- (i<sub>3</sub>)  $(c_1 + (a + c), c_2 + (a + c), c_3 + (a + c)) \in \bar{C}_1$ ,
- (i<sub>4</sub>)  $((a + c) + c_3, (a + c) + c_2, (a + c) + c_1) \in \bar{C}_1$ .

*If  $(a + c_1, a + c_2, a + c_3) \in \bar{C}_1$ , then*

- (ii<sub>1</sub>)  $((a + c_1) + c, (a + c_2) + c, (a + c_3) + c) \in \bar{C}_1$ ,
- (ii<sub>2</sub>)  $(c + (a + c_1), c + (a + c_2), c + (a + c_3)) \in \bar{C}_1$ ,
- (ii<sub>3</sub>)  $((a + c_1) + (a + c), (a + c_2) + (a + c), (a + c_3) + (a + c)) \in \bar{C}_1$ ,
- (ii<sub>4</sub>)  $((a + c) + (a + c_3), (a + c) + (a + c_2), (a + c) + (a + c_1)) \in \bar{C}_1$ .

**Proof.** There are subsets  $S, T, S_i, T_i$  of  $H$  with  $c = \sup(S) = \inf(T)$ ,  $c_i = \sup(S_i) = \inf(T_i)$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3$ ). Then  $c = \sup(S_k) = \inf(T_k)$ ,  $c_i = \sup(S_{ik_i}) = \inf(T_{ik_i})$  in  $\bar{D}(H)$  where  $k, k_i$  are as before ( $i = 1, 2, 3$ ). As for  $M(H)$  is an  $lc$ -group, (i<sub>1</sub>) and (i<sub>2</sub>) are valid.

(i<sub>3</sub>) Let  $(c_1, c_2, c_3) \in \bar{C}_1$ . Consider several cases:

( $\alpha$ ) Assume that  $k_1, k_2, k_3$  are different elements of  $K_1$ . Then  $(k_1, k_2, k_3) \in C_2$  and so  $(t_1, t_2, t_3) \in C$  for each  $t_i \in T_{ik_i}$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3$ ). Hence  $(t_1 + (a + s), t_2 + (a + s), t_3 + (a + s)) = (a + (a + t_1) + (a + s), a + (a + t_2) + (a + s), a + (a + t_3) + (a + s)) \in C$  for each  $s \in S_k, t_i \in T_{ik_i}$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3$ ). This yields that  $(a + \sup\{a + t_1 + a + s : s \in S_k, t_1 \in T_{1k_1}\}, a + \sup\{a + t_2 + a + s : s \in S_k, t_2 \in T_{2k_2}\}, a + \sup\{a + t_3 + a + s : s \in S_k, t_3 \in T_{3k_3}\}) = (a + ((a + c_1) + (a + c)), a + ((a + c_2) + (a + c)), a + ((a + c_3) + (a + c))) = (c_1 + (a + c), c_2 + (a + c), c_3 + (a + c)) \in \bar{C}_1$ .

( $\beta$ ) Let  $k_1 = k_2 \neq k_3$ . Then either  $c_1 < c_2 < c_3$  or  $c_3 < c_1 < c_2$ . Assume that  $c_1 < c_2 < c_3$ . We have  $c_1 = \inf\{t_1 \in H : t_1 \in T_{1k_1} \setminus T_{2k_2}\}$ . Hence  $t_1 < t_2 < t_3$  and so  $(t_1, t_2, t_3) \in C$  for each  $t_1 \in T_{1k_1} \setminus T_{2k_2}, t_2 \in T_{2k_2}, t_3 \in T_{3k_3}$ . Further we apply the same steps as in the case ( $\alpha$ ). If  $c_3 < c_1 < c_2$  the proof is similar.

The cases  $k_2 = k_3 \neq k_1$  and  $k_3 = k_1 \neq k_2$  are analogous.

( $\gamma$ ) Let  $k_1 = k_2 = k_3$ . We have  $c_1 < c_2 < c_3$  or  $c_2 < c_3 < c_1$  or  $c_3 < c_1 < c_2$ . Suppose that  $c_1 < c_2 < c_3$ . From  $c_1 = \inf\{t_1 \in H : t_1 \in T_{1k_1} \setminus T_{2k_2}\}, c_2 = \inf\{t_2 \in H : t_2 \in T_{2k_2} \setminus T_{3k_3}\}$  we infer that  $t_1 < t_2 < t_3$  and thus  $(t_1, t_2, t_3) \in C$  for each  $t_1 \in T_{1k_1} \setminus T_{2k_2}, t_2 \in T_{2k_2} \setminus T_{3k_3}, t_3 \in T_{3k_3}$ . Now we apply the same procedure as in the case ( $\alpha$ ). Cases  $c_2 < c_3 < c_1, c_3 < c_1 < c_2$  are analogous.

We conclude that (i<sub>3</sub>) is satisfied.

(ii<sub>1</sub>) Assume that  $(a + c_1, a + c_2, a + c_3) \in \bar{C}_1$ . Hence  $(c_3, c_2, c_1) \in \bar{C}$ .

According to (i<sub>1</sub>), we get  $(c_3 + c, c_2 + c, c_1 + c) \in \bar{C}$ . This yields that  $(a + (c_1 + c), a + (c_2 + c), a + (c_3 + c)) = ((a + c_1) + c, (a + c_2) + c, (a + c_3) + c) \in \bar{C}_1$ .

(ii<sub>3</sub>) Again, assume that  $(a + c_1, a + c_2, a + c_3) \in \bar{C}_1$ . Then  $(c_3, c_2, c_1) \in \bar{C}$ .



With respect to (i<sub>2</sub>), we obtain  $(c_3 + (a + c), c_2 + (a + c), c_1 + (a + c)) \in \bar{C}_1$ , i.e.,  $(a + ((a + c_3) + (a + c)), a + ((a + c_2) + (a + c)), a + ((a + c_1) + (a + c))) \in \bar{C}_1$ . Therefore,  $((a + c_1) + (a + c), (a + c_2) + (a + c), (a + c_3) + (a + c)) \in \bar{C}_1$ .

The remaining cases can be proved similarly. ■

From Lemmas 4.6 and 4.7 it immediately follows

**Theorem 4.8.**  $(M_h(G); +, \bar{C}_1)$  is a half *lc*-group with  $M_h(G) \uparrow = M(H)$  and  $M_h(G) \downarrow = a + M(H)$ . ■

The half *lc*-group  $M_h(G)$  is said to be a *completion* of  $G$ . If  $M_h(G) = G$ , then  $G$  is called  *$M_h$ -complete*.

Evidently that the following lemma is valid.

**Lemma 4.9.**  $G$  is  *$M_h$ -complete* if and only if  $H$  is  *$M$ -complete*. ■

With respect to Theorem 3.7 and Lemma 4.9 we have:

**Theorem 4.10.** Let  $H_0 \neq \{0\}$ . Then the half *lc*-group  $M_h(G)$  has the following properties:

- (a<sub>1</sub>)  $M_h(G)$  is  *$M_h$ -complete*;
- (b<sub>1</sub>)  $G$  is an *hc*-subgroup of  $M_h(G)$ ;
- (c<sub>1</sub>) For each element  $c \in M_h(G) \uparrow$  there exist  $k \in K_1$  and  $S, T \subseteq H$  such that  $S_k$  and  $T_k$  are nonempty subsets of  $H$  and  $c = \sup(S_k) = \inf(T_k)$  in  $M_h(G) \uparrow$ . ■

**Theorem 4.11.** Let  $H_0 \neq \{0\}$ . Assume that  $G'$  is a half *lc*-group satisfying the above conditions (a<sub>1</sub>), (b<sub>1</sub>) and (c<sub>1</sub>) (with  $G'$  instead of  $M_h(G)$ ). Then there exists an isomorphism  $\phi_1$  of the half *lc*-group  $M_h(G)$  onto  $G'$  with  $\phi_1(g) = g$  for each  $g \in G$ .

**Proof.** Since  $G'$  fulfils the conditions (a<sub>1</sub>)–(c<sub>1</sub>),  $G' \uparrow$  fulfils the conditions (a)–(c) from Theorem 3.7 ( $G' \uparrow$  instead of  $M(H)$ ). Hence there exists an isomorphism  $\phi$  of the *lc*-group  $M(H)$  onto  $G' \uparrow$  with  $\phi(h) = h$  for each  $h \in H$ . For each  $c \in M(H)$ , we put  $\phi_1(c) = \phi(c)$  and  $\phi_1(a + c) = a + \phi(c)$ . Therefore,  $\phi_1$  is an isomorphism of the half *lc*-group  $M_h(G)$  onto  $G'$ . For each  $h \in H$ , we have  $\phi_1(a + h) = a + \phi(h) = a + h$  and the proof is complete. ■

**Remark.** The question whether half  $lc$ -groups with isomorphic increasing parts are isomorphic is open.

Let  $a'$  be an element from  $G \downarrow$  of the second order,  $a' \neq a$ . The operation  $+$  and the cyclic order on the set  $M'_h(G) = M(H) \cup (a' + M(H))$  are defined formally in the same way as on  $M_h(G)$ . It can be easily verified that the half  $lc$ -group  $M'_h(G)$  is equal  $M_h(G)$ .

$M_h(G)$  and  $M_h$ -completeness are defined in the same way also in the case  $H_0 = \{0\}$ . From Theorem 3.9 and Lemma 4.9, we infer that the following theorem holds in both cases  $H_0 = \{0\}$  and  $H_0 \neq \{0\}$ .

**Theorem 4.12.** *Let  $G$  be a half  $lc$ -group. Then  $G$  is  $M_h$ -complete if and only if some of the following conditions is satisfied:*

- (i)  $H$  is finite;
- (ii)  $H$  is isomorphic to  $K$ ;
- (iii)  $H_0 \neq \{0\}$  and  $H_0$  is  $M$ -complete.

■

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