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The group of all automorphisms of a chain Ω forms a lattice-ordered group $A(\Omega)$ under the pointwise order. It is well known that if G is the symmetric group on \aleph elements ($\aleph \neq 6$), then every automorphism of G is inner. Here it is shown that if Ω is an α -set, every l -automorphism of $A(\Omega)$ (preserving also the lattice structure) is inner. This is accomplished by means of an investigation of the orbits $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$ of Dedekind cuts $\bar{\omega}$ of Ω .

The same conjecture for arbitrary chains Ω has been investigated in [6], [4], and [8]. Lloyd proved in [6] that when Ω is the chain of rational numbers (i.e., the 0-set), or is Dedekind complete, every l -automorphism of $A(\Omega)$ is inner. He also stated this conclusion for α -sets in general, but a lacuna in his proof has been pointed out by C. Holland.

2. *o*-2-transitive groups $A(\Omega)$. An automorphism of a chain Ω is simply a permutation g of Ω which preserves order in the sense that $\omega < \tau$ if and only if $\omega g < \tau g$. The group $A(\Omega)$ of all automorphisms of Ω forms a lattice-ordered group (l -group) when ordered pointwise, i.e., $f \leq g$ if and only if $\omega f \leq \omega g$ for all $\omega \in \Omega$. We identify each $g \in A(\Omega)$ with its unique extension to $\bar{\Omega}$, the conditional completion by Dedekind cuts of Ω , and thus consider $A(\Omega)$ as an l -subgroup of $A(\bar{\Omega})$, i.e., as a subgroup which is also a sublattice.

An l -subgroup G of $A(\Omega)$ is *o*-2-transitive if for all $\beta, \gamma, \sigma, \tau \in \Omega$ with $\beta < \gamma$ and $\sigma < \tau$, there exists $g \in G$ such that $\beta g = \sigma$ and $\gamma g = \tau$. Ω is *o*-2-homogeneous if $A(\Omega)$ is *o*-2-transitive. (To avoid pathology, we assume throughout that Ω contains more than two points.) Corollary 16 of [8] states, for the special case in which Ω is *o*-2-homogeneous, that every l -automorphism ψ of $A(\Omega)$ is induced by an inner automorphism π of the larger group $A(\bar{\Omega})$, say $\pi: h \rightarrow f^{-1}hf$, f a fixed element of $A(\bar{\Omega})$; and that Ωf is an orbit $\bar{\omega}A$ of $A(\Omega)$, for some $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}$. Thus, as was essentially obtained by Lloyd in [6] by methods different from those in [8], we have

THEOREM 1 (Lloyd). *If Ω is *o*-2-homogeneous, then every l -automorphism of $A(\Omega)$ is inner, provided that no orbit $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$, $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega} \setminus \Omega$, is *o*-isomorphic to Ω .*

It may be that the proviso that no orbit $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$, $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega} \setminus \Omega$, be *o*-isomorphic to Ω is satisfied by every *o*-2-homogeneous Ω ; this is an

open question.¹ We shall find at any rate that the proviso holds when Ω is an α -set.

For any $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}$, Ω α -2-homogeneous, the orbit $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$ is dense in $\bar{\Omega}$. For $g \in A(\Omega)$, form $\hat{g} \in A(\bar{\omega}A(\Omega))$ by first extending g to $\bar{\Omega}$ and then restricting to $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$. The map $g \rightarrow \hat{g}$ is an α -isomorphism of $A(\Omega)$ into $A(\bar{\omega}A(\Omega))$. We shall write $(A(\Omega), \bar{\omega}A(\Omega))$ when considering $A(\Omega)$ to act on $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$, and shall say that $(A(\Omega), \bar{\omega}A(\Omega))$ is *entire* if the α -isomorphism is *onto* $A(\bar{\omega}A(\Omega))$.

PROPOSITION 2. *Suppose that $A(\Omega)$ is α -2-transitive on Ω , and let $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega} \setminus \Omega$. Then $A(\Omega)$ is also α -2-transitive on $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$.*

Proof. Let $\bar{\beta}, \bar{\gamma}, \bar{\sigma}, \bar{\tau} \in \bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$, with $\bar{\beta} < \bar{\gamma}$ and $\bar{\sigma} < \bar{\tau}$. Since $A(\Omega)$ is α -2-transitive on Ω , we can pick $f \in A(\Omega)$ such that $\bar{\beta}f \leq \bar{\sigma}$ and $\bar{\gamma}f \geq \bar{\tau}$. Since $\bar{\sigma}, \bar{\beta}$, and $\bar{\beta}f$ all lie in the same orbit of $(A(\Omega), \bar{\Omega})$, we can pick $1 \leq g \in A(\Omega)$ such that $\bar{\beta}fg = \bar{\sigma}$; then $\bar{\gamma}fg \geq \bar{\gamma}f \geq \bar{\tau}$. Letting $r = fg \in A(\Omega)$, we have $\bar{\beta}r = \bar{\sigma}$ and $\bar{\gamma}r \geq \bar{\tau}$. Similarly, there exists $s \in A(\Omega)$ such that $\bar{\gamma}s = \bar{\tau}$ and $\bar{\beta}s \geq \bar{\sigma}$. Letting $t = r \wedge s$, we have $\bar{\beta}t = \bar{\sigma}$ and $\bar{\gamma}t = \bar{\tau}$. Hence $A(\Omega)$ is α -2-transitive on $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$.

3. Characters of points and holes of Ω . By a *hole* in Ω we shall mean an $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega} \setminus \Omega$. We now give some terminology from [2, pp. 142–4], assuming for convenience that Ω is α -2-homogeneous (and thus dense in itself). An ordinal number ω_β is *regular* if it is an initial ordinal and all of its cofinal subsets have cardinality \aleph_β . We say that the point or hole $\bar{\omega}$ has *character* $c_{\beta\gamma}$ if ω_β is the unique regular ordinal which is α -isomorphic to a cofinal subset of $\{\sigma \in \Omega \mid \sigma < \bar{\omega}\}$ (or equivalently, if \aleph_β is the smallest cardinality of any cofinal subset of $\{\sigma \in \Omega \mid \sigma < \bar{\omega}\}$), and dually for ω_γ . Since orbits $\bar{\tau}A(\Omega)$ are dense in $\bar{\Omega}$, we can when convenient consider instead cofinal subsets of $\{\sigma \in \bar{\tau}A(\Omega) \mid \sigma < \bar{\omega}\}$. Of course, all elements of the orbit $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$ have the same character as $\bar{\omega}$; and one such orbit is Ω , so that all points have the same character.

PROPOSITION 3. *Let Ω be α -2-homogeneous. Suppose there exists a hole $\bar{\omega}$ having the same character as the points in Ω , and suppose that the orbit $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$ contains all holes of this character. Then $(A(\Omega), \bar{\omega}A(\Omega))$ is entire.*

Proof. If $\bar{\tau} \in \bar{\Omega}$, $h \in A(\bar{\omega}A(\Omega))$, then $\bar{\tau}$ and $\bar{\tau}h$ must have the same character. Since Ω consists of all $\bar{\tau} \in \bar{\Omega} \setminus \bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$ whose character is that of the points of Ω , we must have $\Omega h = \Omega$. The proposition follows.

The reader can prove the following rather easy proposition himself,

¹ C. Holland has recently discovered an α -2-homogeneous chain Ω for which the proviso fails.

or he can refer to the proof of Theorem 5.

PROPOSITION 4. *Let Ω be o -2-homogeneous. If there exists a hole $\bar{\omega}$ of character c_{00} , then $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$ is the set of all holes of character c_{00} . Hence if the points of Ω have character c_{00} , $(A(\Omega), \bar{\omega}A(\Omega))$ is entire.*

4. α -sets. If Γ and Δ are subsets of a chain Ω , we write $\Gamma < \Delta$ if and only if $\gamma < \delta$ for all $\gamma \in \Gamma, \delta \in \Delta$. Let α be an ordinal number. An α -set is a chain Ω of cardinality \aleph_α in which for any two (possibly empty) subsets $\Gamma < \Delta$ of cardinality less than \aleph_α , there exists $\omega \in \Omega$ such that $\Gamma < \omega < \Delta$. If ω_α is a regular ordinal, then (assuming the generalized continuum hypothesis) there exists an α -set, and it is unique up to o -isomorphism [2, pp. 179-181]. It is easy to deduce from the definition of an α -set (or see [2, p. 179], which is not so easy) that if Ω is an α -set, its points have character $c_{\alpha\alpha}$ (so that Ω is o -2-homogeneous); that each hole has character $c_{\alpha\beta}$ or $c_{\beta\alpha}$ for some $\beta \leq \alpha$ with ω_β regular; and that each of these characters actually is the character of some hole. (Holes of a given nonsymmetric character can be obtained as limits of monotone transfinite sequences of points of Ω . For $c_{\alpha\alpha}$ holes, see Proposition 6.)

THEOREM 5. *Let Ω be an α -set. Then every orbit of $(A(\Omega), \bar{\Omega})$ consists of the set of all holes of a given character (except for Ω , which consists of points).*

Proof. We must show that any two holes of the same character lie in the same orbit of $A(\Omega)$. By duality, it suffices to show that for any two $c_{\beta\alpha}$ holes $\bar{\tau}_1$ and $\bar{\tau}_2$ ($\beta \leq \alpha$), the two sets $\Gamma_i = \{\sigma \in \Omega \mid \sigma < \bar{\tau}_i\}$, $i = 1, 2$, are o -isomorphic. Pick in Γ_i a strictly increasing cofinal sequence $\{\beta_i^n \mid n \in \omega_\beta\}$ indexed by ω_β . For each limit ordinal $\pi < \omega_\beta$, let $\bar{\gamma}_i^\pi = \sup \{\beta_i^n \mid n < \pi\} \in \bar{\Omega}$. Since ω_β is an initial number, any such $\bar{\gamma}_i^\pi$ has "left" character less than β , and hence is a hole with "right" character equal to α . Hence each $\Delta_i^\pi = \{\sigma \in \Omega \mid \bar{\gamma}_i^\pi < \sigma < \beta_i^\pi\}$ is an α -set. Also, each $\Delta_i^0 = \{\sigma \in \Omega \mid \sigma < \beta_i^0\}$ is an α -set, and for each ordinal $\lambda < \omega_\beta$, each $\Delta_i^{\lambda+1} = \{\sigma \in \Omega \mid \beta_i^\lambda \leq \sigma < \beta_i^{\lambda+1}\}$ is an α -set. Hence for each $\mu < \omega_\beta$, Δ_i^μ is o -isomorphic to Δ_i^π . It is now easy to show that Γ_1 and Γ_2 are o -isomorphic.

The following result, which was pointed out to the author by Andrew Glass, can also be established by splicing together suitable α -sets.

PROPOSITION 6. *Let Ω be an α -set, let Γ and Δ be subsets of cardinality less than \aleph_α , and let φ be an o -isomorphism from Γ onto Δ . Then φ can be extended to an automorphism of Ω .*

PROPOSITION 7. *Let Ω be an α -set. Then each orbit $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$ has cardinality \aleph_α except for the orbit of $c_{\alpha\alpha}$ holes, which has cardinality 2^{\aleph_α} .*

Proof. By definition, $\text{card}(\Omega) = \aleph_\alpha$. By [1, Theorem 13. 23], $\text{card}(\bar{\Omega}) = 2^{\aleph_\alpha}$. The number of distinct hole characters is no greater than \aleph_α . For any character $c_{\beta\alpha}$ or $c_{\alpha\beta}$ with $\beta < \alpha$, the number of holes of that character is of cardinality $\aleph \leq \aleph_\alpha$; and since the orbit of such holes is dense in $\bar{\Omega}$, $2^\aleph \geq \text{card}(\bar{\Omega}) = 2^{\aleph_\alpha}$, so that $\aleph = \aleph_\alpha$. Hence $\{\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega} \mid \bar{\omega} \text{ is not a } c_{\alpha\alpha} \text{ hole}\}$ has cardinality \aleph_α . Since $\text{card}(\bar{\Omega}) = 2^{\aleph_\alpha}$, the number of $c_{\alpha\alpha}$ holes is also 2^{\aleph_α} .

COROLLARY 8. *No two orbits of $(A(\Omega), \bar{\Omega})$, Ω an α -set, are o -isomorphic.*

Proof. As mentioned after the definition of character, the character of $\bar{\omega}$ can be determined via the set $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$. Hence if $\bar{\omega}$ has character $c_{\alpha\beta}$ as determined by Ω , the points of the chain $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$ have character $c_{\alpha\beta}$ as determined by the chain $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$. Hence no two orbits associated with distinct characters can be o -isomorphic. Finally, Ω and the orbit of $c_{\alpha\alpha}$ holes cannot be o -isomorphic because they are of different cardinalities.

In view of Theorem 1, we have

MAIN COROLLARY 9. *Every l -automorphism of the l -group $A(\Omega)$, Ω an α -set, is inner.*

Since every chain can be o -embedded in a sufficiently large α -set [2, p. 181], we have

COROLLARY 10. *Every chain can be embedded in a chain Ω such that every l -automorphism of $A(\Omega)$ is inner.*

Since every l -group can be embedded in some $A(\Omega)$, Ω an α -set [3, Theorem 4], we also have

COROLLARY 11. *Every l -group can be embedded in an l -group all of whose l -automorphisms are inner.*

5. Representations. By a representation of an l -group G we mean l -isomorphism of G into some $A(\Sigma)$. In §2, o -2-transitive $A(\Omega)$'s were canonically represented as l -subgroups of $A(\bar{\omega}A(\Omega))$, $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}$, and we identified $A(\Omega)$ with its image. Here we shall find that these constitute all the "nice" representations of $A(\Omega)$.

If G_i is an l -subgroup of $A(\Omega_i)$, $i = 1, 2$, an o -isomorphism from (G_1, Ω_1) onto (G_2, Ω_2) consists of an o -isomorphism ψ from Ω_1 onto Ω_2 and an l -isomorphism θ from G_1 onto G_2 such that $(\omega g)\psi = (\omega\psi)(g\theta)$ for all $\omega \in \Omega_1$, $g \in G_1$. In [4], Holland defined a transitive l -subgroup G of $A(\Omega)$ to be *weakly o -primitive* if G is faithful on $\bar{\omega}G$, $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}$, *only* when $\bar{\omega}G$ is dense in $\bar{\Omega}$. (For other formulations of the condition, see [4].) As a special case of [4, Theorem 7], we have

THEOREM 12 (Holland). *Suppose that $A(\Omega)$ is o -2-transitive and let θ be a representation of $A(\Omega)$ as a weakly o -primitive l -subgroup of some $A(\Sigma)$. Then there is an o -isomorphism ψ from some $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$, $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}$, onto Σ which, together with θ , furnishes an o -isomorphism from $(A(\Omega), \bar{\omega}A(\Omega))$ onto $((A(\Omega))\theta, \Sigma)$. In particular, the collection of $(A(\Omega), \bar{\omega}A(\Omega))$'s, $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}$, constitute (up to o -isomorphism) all weakly o -primitive representations of $A(\Omega)$.*

A representation θ of an l -group G is *complete* if it preserves arbitrary suprema and infima that exist in G , or equivalently, if $G\theta$ is a *complete* l -subgroup of $A(\Sigma)$ in the sense that arbitrary suprema (infima) that exist in $G\theta$ are also suprema (infima) in $A(\Sigma)$.

THEOREM 13. *Theorem 12 remains valid if one considers complete transitive representations instead of weakly o -primitive representations.*

Proof. First we show that each $(A(\Omega), \bar{\omega}A(\Omega))$, $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}$, is indeed complete. For [8, Theorem 1] states that the stabilizer subgroup $A(\Omega)_{\bar{\omega}} = \{g \in A(\Omega) \mid \bar{\omega}g = \bar{\omega}\}$ is closed under arbitrary suprema and infima that exist in $A(\Omega)$, so that for $(A(\Omega), \bar{\omega}A(\Omega))$ the stabilizer subgroups of *points* are closed; and [7, Theorem 7] states that for transitive l -subgroups, this latter condition is equivalent to completeness.

Now let θ be any complete transitive representation of $A(\Omega)$ in some $A(\Sigma)$. Pick any $\sigma \in \Sigma$. Since $(A(\Omega))\theta$ is a complete subgroup of $A(\Sigma)$, the stabilizer subgroup $A(\Sigma)_\sigma$ is a closed prime subgroup of $A(\Sigma)$ (by [8, Theorem 1] again); while by [8, Theorem 11], *every* proper closed prime subgroup of $A(\Omega)$ is $A(\Omega)_{\bar{\omega}}$ for some $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}$. Hence for some $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}$, $(A(\Omega)_{\bar{\omega}})\theta = A(\Sigma)_\sigma$. Thus (see, for example, the proof of Lemma 14 of [4]) there exists an o -isomorphism ψ from $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$ onto Σ which, together with θ , furnishes an o -isomorphism from $(A(\Omega), \bar{\omega}A(\Omega))$ onto $((A(\Omega))\theta, \Sigma)$.

Unfortunately, there are generally other (neither weakly o -primitive nor complete) transitive representations of $A(\Omega)$, as is seen by the argument given in [4, p. 433] for Ω the reals.

In general there seems to be no guarantee that $(A(\Omega), \bar{\omega}A(\Omega))$'s will be nonisomorphic for distinct orbits of $A(\Omega)$, but by Corollary

8 we have

THEOREM 14. *Let Ω be an α -set. Then the $(A(\Omega), \bar{\omega}A(\Omega))$'s are nonisomorphic for distinct orbits of $A(\Omega)$, and they constitute (up to o -isomorphism) all weakly o -primitive (alternately, all complete transitive) representations of $A(\Omega)$.*

THEOREM 15. *Let Ω be an α -set, and let Γ be the orbit of holes of character $c_{\alpha\alpha}$. If $\Delta = \Gamma$, or if $\Delta = \Omega$, then $(A(\Omega), \Delta)$ is entire, and Δ possesses an anti-automorphism. If $\Delta = \bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$, where $\bar{\omega}$ is a hole of character $c_{\beta\alpha}$ or $c_{\alpha\beta}$ ($\beta < \alpha$, ω_β regular), then $(A(\Omega), \Delta)$ is not entire, and the points of Δ are nonsymmetric, so that not even the intervals of the o -2-homogeneous chain Δ possess anti-automorphisms.*

Proof. Proposition 3 and Theorem 5 establish that $(A(\Omega), \Gamma)$ is entire. Now let $\Delta = \bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$, $\bar{\omega}$ nonsymmetric. Pick any $\beta \in \Omega$ and any $c_{\alpha\alpha}$ hole $\bar{\gamma}$. Then $L(\beta) = \{\delta \in \Omega \mid \delta < \beta\}$ and $U(\beta) = \{\delta \in \Omega \mid \delta > \beta\}$ are α -sets, and similarly for $\bar{\gamma}$. By the uniqueness of α -sets, there exist o -isomorphisms f of $L(\beta)$ onto $L(\bar{\gamma})$ and g of $U(\beta)$ onto $U(\bar{\gamma})$. Define a map h by setting $\lambda h = \lambda f$ if $\lambda \in L(\beta)$, and $\lambda h = \lambda g$ if $\lambda \in U(\beta)$. Since Δ is the set of all holes of a given character, $h \in A(\Delta)$, and by construction $\beta h = \bar{\gamma}$. Hence Ω and Γ lie in the same orbit of $A(\Delta)$, so that $(A(\Omega), \Delta) \neq (A(\Delta), \Delta)$.

Reversing the ordering of an α -set yields an α -set, so by the uniqueness of α -sets, Ω has an anti-automorphism, and it induces an anti-automorphism of Γ . Nonsymmetric holes have been discussed above.

COROLLARY 16. *$\Pi = \Omega \cup \Gamma$ is o -2-homogeneous. The orbits of $A(\Pi)$ are, besides Π itself, precisely the orbits $\bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$ of $A(\Omega)$ for nonsymmetric $\bar{\omega}$. For each orbit Δ , $(A(\Pi), \Delta)$ is entire; and $(A(\Pi), \bar{\Omega})$ is entire. The representations $(A(\Pi), \Delta)$ constitute all the weakly o -primitive (alternately, complete transitive) representations of $A(\Pi)$. All l -automorphisms of $A(\Pi)$ are inner.*

Proof. If $\alpha = 0$, so that Π is the reals, the conclusion (well known except for part about complete transitive representations) follows from Theorems 12, 13, and 1. Now suppose that $\alpha > 0$ and let $\Delta = \bar{\omega}A(\Omega)$, $\bar{\omega}$ nonsymmetric. By the proof of the theorem, all of Π lies in the same orbit Δ of $A(\Delta)$. Since Π consists of all holes in Δ of character $c_{\alpha\alpha}$, $\Pi = \Delta$. By Proposition 2, Π is o -2-homogeneous. Since $A(\Omega) \subset A(\Pi)$ and Δ consists of all elements of $\bar{\Omega}$ of a given character, Δ is also an orbit of $A(\Pi)$. Since we have already established that Π is an orbit of $A(\Delta)$, $(A(\Pi), \Delta)$ is entire. Also, Π is the set of all

points of $\bar{\Omega}$ of character $c_{\alpha\alpha}$, so $(A(\Omega), \bar{\Omega})$ is entire. (This extension of terminology to the nonhomogeneous chain $\bar{\Omega}$ causes no difficulties.) For the rest, apply Theorems 12, 13, and 1.

COROLLARY 17. *If Ω is an α -set, then $A(\Omega)$ is self-normalizing in $A(\bar{\Omega})$.*

Proof. If $g(A(\Omega))g^{-1} = A(\Omega)$ for $g \in A(\bar{\Omega})$, then Ωg must be a union of orbits of $A(\Omega)$. This implies that $\Omega g = \Omega$ (by the proof of Corollary 8), so that $g \in A(\Omega)$.

We say that a chain Ω (without a greatest element) has *initial character* c_β if \aleph_β is the smallest cardinality of any coinital subset of Ω ; and dually for *final character*. In the definition of an α -set, permitting Γ or Δ to be empty forces both of these characters to be c_α .

PROPOSITION 18. *Let \aleph_α , \aleph_β , and \aleph_γ be regular cardinals, with $\beta, \gamma \leq \alpha + 1$. Then there exists a chain Ω , unique up to o-isomorphism, such that for any two nonempty subsets $\Gamma < \Delta$ of cardinality less than \aleph_α , there exists $\omega \in \Omega$ such that $\Gamma < \omega < \Delta$, and having initial character c_β and final character c_γ . (If β or $\gamma = \alpha + 1$, cardinality \aleph_α is required only for intervals of Ω , not for Ω itself.) Ω satisfies all of the results proved in this paper for α -sets, except for the anti-automorphisms of Theorem 15.*

Proof. Let Σ be an α -set. To obtain final character c_β , $\beta < \alpha$, let $\bar{\sigma}$ be a hole of character $c_{\beta\alpha}$ and delete $\{\sigma \in \Sigma \mid \sigma > \bar{\sigma}\}$. To obtain final character $c_{\alpha+1}$, use $\overleftarrow{\Sigma} \times \omega_{\alpha+1}$, ordered lexicographically from the right. Similar considerations regarding the initial character establish the existence of Ω . Uniqueness is proved in the manner of the proof of Theorem 5. The proofs of the results about α -sets require no change.

Let $L(\Omega) = \{g \in A(\Omega) \mid \text{there exists } \sigma \in \Omega \text{ such that } \omega g = \omega \text{ for all } \omega \leq \sigma\}$, an l -ideal of $A(\Omega)$; let $U(\Omega)$ be the dual; and let $B(\Omega) = L(\Omega) \cap U(\Omega)$. If Ω is o-2-homogeneous, these three l -ideals are proper and distinct, and even $B(\Omega)$ is o-2-transitive and has the same orbits as $A(\Omega)$. If we pick any one of these three types of l -ideals and substitute it for $A(\Omega)$ throughout the paper, all results remain true except that in Theorem 1 and Corollary 9 the l -automorphism of the ideal need not be inner, but merely induced by an inner automorphism of $A(\Omega)$. The proofs require only minor changes.

Finally, if Ω is an α -set, it is not the case that all group automorphisms of $A(\Omega)$ are inner. For let f be an anti-automorphism of the chain Ω . Then $g \rightarrow f^{-1}gf$ is a group automorphism of $A(\Omega)$, and since it interchanges $L(\Omega)$ and $U(\Omega)$, it is not inner. Its restriction to $B(\Omega)$ is a group automorphism of $B(\Omega)$ which can easily be shown

not to be inner. Are there group automorphisms of $L(\mathcal{Q})$ and $U(\mathcal{Q})$ which are not inner?

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