Injectivity of (Naturally) Ordered Projection Algebras

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1 Introduction

Algebraic and categorical properties of Projection algebras (or spaces) have been introduced and studied as an algebraic version of ultrametric spaces as well as algebraic structures, for example, in [5, 7, 8, 2]. Computer scientists use this notion as a convenient means for algebraic specification of process algebras (see [6]).

A projection algebra is in fact a set A with an action of the monoid $M = (\mathbb{N}^{\infty} = \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}, \min, \infty)$, where \mathbb{N} is the set of natural numbers, and $n \leq \infty$, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. By an ordered projection algebra we mean a projection algebra A which is also a poset such that the order is compatible with the action. A naturally ordered projection algebra is an ordered projection algebra with the order $a \leq b$ if and only if a = nb, for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$. We denote the category of projection algebras by **PRO**, the category of ordered projection algebras by **O-PRO**, and the subcategory of naturally ordered projection algebras by **O-PRO**.

2 Regular injectivity and Ideal injectivity

In this section, we study injectivity of ordered projection algebras with respect to order emdedding projection maps, so called *regular injectivity*. Also, we compare it with injectivity with respect to embedding of the form $I \to \mathbb{N}^{\infty}$ for an ideal I of \mathbb{N}^{∞} , so called *I*-injectivity, and with *ideal injective* which is *I*-injectivity, for all ideals I of \mathbb{N}^{∞} .

Theorem 2.1. Every ordered projection algebras is $\downarrow k$ -injective, for $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Corollary 2.2. For ordered projection algebras, ideal injectivity coincides with N-injectivity.

Theorem 2.3. For ordered projection algebras, the following are equivalent:

- (1) Ideal injectivity in **O-PRO**.
- (2) \mathbb{N} -injectivity in **O-PRO**.
- (3) \mathbb{N} -injectivity in **PRO**.
- (4) Injectivity in **PRO**.

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Theorem 2.4. A continuously complete naturally ordered projection algebra A is injective in **O-PRO**_{nat}. But, the converse is not generally true.

Theorem 2.5. For a projection algebra A with natural order, the following are equivalent:

- (1) A is a complete poset.
- (2) A is a continuously complete ordered projection algebra.
- (3) A is an infinite countable bounded chain.
- (4) A is an infinite countable complete chain.
- (5) A is a cyclic projection algebra.

Corollary 2.6. A naturally ordered projection algebra satisfying one of the equivalent conditions of the above theorem is injective in **PRO**.

Proposition 2.7. There is no non trivial regular injective projection algebra with natural order in **O-PRO**.

Theorem 2.8 (Baer). Let A be an ordered projection algebra.

(1) If A is injective as an object of **PRO** then A is injective with respect to ordered projection algebras with natural order.

(2) If A is injective as an object of **PRO** with respect to one fixed projection algebras (with natural order) then A is injective with respect to all projection algebras (with natural order).

(3) If A is regular injective with respect to embeddings into cyclic **O-PRO** then A is regular injective with respect to all projection algebras with natural order.

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