

On multiplication lattice modules

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Abstract

In this paper we study multiplication lattice modules. Next we characterize hollow lattices modules. We also establish maximal elements in multiplication lattices modules. In [16], we introduced the concept of a multiplication lattice L -module and we characterized it by principal elements. In this paper, we continue study on multiplication lattice L -module.

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A multiplicative lattice L is a complete lattice in which there is defined a commutative, associative multiplication which distributes over arbitrary joins and has compact greatest element 1_L (least element 0_L) as a multiplicative identity (zero). Multiplicative lattices have been studied extensively by E.W. Johnson, C. Jayaram, the current authors, and others, see, for example, [1 – 16].

An element $a \in L$ is said to be proper if $a < 1$. An element $p < 1_L$ in L is said to be prime if $ab \leq p$ implies $a \leq p$ or $b \leq p$. An element $m < 1$ in L is said to be maximal if $m < x \leq 1_L$ implies $x = 1_L$. It is easily seen that maximal elements are prime.

If a, b belong to L , $(a :_L b)$ is the join of all $c \in L$ such that $cb \leq a$. An element e of L is called meet principal if $a \wedge be = ((a :_L e) \wedge b) e$ for all $a, b \in L$. An element e of L is called join principal if $((ae \vee b) :_L e) = a \vee (b :_L e)$ for all $a, b \in L$. $e \in L$ is said to be principal if e is both meet principal and join principal. $e \in L$ is said to be weak meet (join) principal if $a \wedge e = e(a :_L e)$ ($a \vee (0_L :_L e) = (ea :_L e)$) for all $a \in L$. An element a of a multiplicative lattice L is called compact if $a \leq \bigvee b_\alpha$ implies $a \leq b_{\alpha_1} \vee b_{\alpha_2} \vee \dots \vee b_{\alpha_n}$ for some subset $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n\}$. If each element of L is a join of principal (compact) elements of L , then L is called a PG -lattice (CG -lattice).

Let M be a complete lattice. Recall that M is a lattice module over the multiplicative lattice L , or simply an L -module in the case there is a multiplication between elements of L and M , denoted by lB for $l \in L$ and $B \in M$, which satisfies the following properties :

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- (i): $(lb)B = l(bB)$;
- (ii): $\left(\bigvee_{\alpha} l_{\alpha}\right) \left(\bigvee_{\beta} B_{\beta}\right) = \bigvee_{\alpha, \beta} l_{\alpha} B_{\beta}$;
- (iii): $1_L B = B$;
- (iv): $0_L B = 0_M$ for all l, l_{α}, b in L and for all B, B_{β} in M .

Let M be an L -module. If N, K belong to M , $(N :_L K)$ is the join of all $a \in L$ such that $aK \leq N$. If $a \in L$, $(0_L :_M a)$ is the join of all $H \in M$ such that $aH = 0_M$. An element N of M is called meet principal if $(b \wedge (B :_L N))N = bN \wedge B$ for all $b \in L$ and for all $B \in M$. An element N of M is called join principal if $b \vee (B :_L N) = ((bN \vee B) :_L N)$ for all $b \in L$ and for all $N \in M$. N is said to be principal if it is both meet principal and join principal. In special case an element N of M is called weak meet principal (weak join principal) if $(B :_L N)N = B \wedge N$ ($(bN :_L N) = b \vee (0_M :_L N)$) for all $B \in M$ and for all $b \in L$. N is said to be weak principal if N is both weak meet principal and weak join principal.

Let M be an L -module. An element N in M is called compact if $N \leq \bigvee_{\alpha} B_{\alpha}$ implies $N \leq B_{\alpha_1} \vee B_{\alpha_2} \vee \dots \vee B_{\alpha_n}$ for some subset $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n\}$. The greatest element of M will be denoted by 1_M . If each element of M is a join of principal (compact) elements of M , then M is called a PG -lattice (CG -lattice).

Let L be a multiplicative lattice and let M be an L -module. If M is CG -lattice, then any weak principal element N of M is compact [14, Corollary 2.2]. Especially, if L is a CG -lattice, then any weak principal element in L is compact [14, Corollary 2.3].

Let M be an L -module. An element $N \in M$ is said to be proper if $N < 1_M$. If $ann(1_M) = (0_M :_L 1_M) = 0_L$, M is called a faithful L -module. If $cm = 0_M$ implies $m = 0_M$ or $c = 0_L$ for any $c \in L$ and $m \in M$, then M is called a torsion-free L -module.

For various characterizations of lattice modules, the reader is referred to [9 – 16].

H.M.Nakkar and I.A.Al-Khouja [13, 14] studied multiplicative lattice modules over multiplicative lattices. In [16], we introduced the concept of a multiplication lattice L -module and we characterized it by principal elements. In this study, we continue study on multiplication lattice L -module and we prove that many important theorems like Nakayama Lemma. We also prove that if L is a multiplicative PG -lattice and M is a multiplication PG -lattice module, then K is maximal element of M if and only if there exist a maximal element $p \in L$ such that $K = p1_M < 1_M$.

1.1. Definition. Let L be a multiplicative lattice and $c \in L$. c is said to be a multiplication element if for every element a of L such that $a \leq c$ there exists an element $d \in L$ such that $a = cd$.

1.2. Definition. Let L be a multiplicative lattice and M a lattice L -module. $N \in M$ is said to be a multiplication element if for every element K of M such that $K \leq N$ there exists an element $a \in L$ such that $K = aN$.

Note that, $a \in L$ is a multiplication element if and only if a is a weak meet principal element in L and $N \in M$ is a multiplication element if and only if N is a weak meet principal element in M . We say that M is a multiplication lattice L -module if 1_M is a multiplication element in M .

1.3. Theorem. Let L be a PG -lattice and M be a PG -lattice L -module. Then M is a multiplication lattice L -module if and only if for every maximal element $q \in L$,

- (i): For every principal element $Y \in M$, there exists a principal element $q_Y \in L$ with $q_Y \not\leq q$ such that $q_Y Y = 0_M$ or
- (ii): There exists a principal element $X \in M$ and a principal element $b \in L$ with $b \not\leq q$ such that $b1_M \leq X$.

Proof. [see 16, Theorem 4]. \square

1.4. Theorem. *Let L be a PG-lattice, and M be a faithful multiplication PG-lattice L -module. Then the following conditions are equivalent.*

- (i): 1_M is a compact element of M .
- (ii): If $a, c \in L$ such that $a1_M \leq c1_M$, then $a \leq c$.
- (iii): For each element N of M there exists a unique element a of L such that $N = a1_M$.
- (iv): $1_M \neq a1_M$ for any proper element a of L .
- (v): $1_M \neq p1_M$ for any maximal element p of L .

Proof. [see 16, Theorem 5]. \square

1.5. Proposition. *Let L be a PG-lattice and M be a faithful multiplication PG-lattice L -module such that 1_M compact. If $a \in L$ is a multiplication element, then $a1_M \in M$ is a multiplication element.*

Proof. Let $K \leq a1_M$. Since M is a multiplication module, $K = b1_M$ for some $b \in L$. Then $K = b1_M \leq a1_M$. Since 1_M is compact, $b \leq a$ by Theorem 2(ii). Since $a \in L$ is a multiplication element, we have $b = ac$ for some $c \in L$ and so $K = b1_M = (ac)1_M = c(a1_M)$. Consequently, $a1_M$ is a multiplication element. \square

1.6. Proposition. *Let L be a PG-lattice and M a faithful multiplication PG-lattice L -module such that 1_M is compact.*

- (i): N is a multiplication element in M if and only if $(K :_L N)(N :_L 1_M) = (K :_L 1_M)$ for all $K \leq N$.
- (ii): $a = (a1_M :_L 1_M)$ for all $a \in L$.
- (iii): N is a multiplication element in M if and only if $(N :_L 1_M)$ is a multiplication element in L .
- (iv): $a1_M$ is a multiplication element in M if and only if a is a multiplication element in L .

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow : Let N be a multiplication element in M and $K \leq N$. Then $K = bN$ for some $b \in L$. Since M is a multiplication lattice L -module,

$$K = bN = (bN :_L N)N = (bN :_L N)(N :_L 1_M)1_M = (K :_L 1_M)1_M.$$

Therefore $(K :_L N)(N :_L 1_M) = (K :_L 1_M)$ by Theorem 2(ii).

\Leftarrow : Since

$$K = (K :_L 1_M)1_M = (K :_L N)(N :_L 1_M)1_M = (K :_L N)N$$

for all $K \leq N$, N is a multiplication element.

(ii) Since M is a multiplication lattice module, we have $a1_M = (a1_M :_L 1_M)1_M$ and so $a = (a1_M :_L 1_M)$ for all $a \in L$ by Theorem 2(ii).

(iii) \Rightarrow : Let N be a multiplication element. If $a \leq (N :_L 1_M)$, then $a = (a1_M :_L 1_M)$ by (ii) and $a = (a1_M :_L 1_M) = (a1_M :_L N)(N :_L 1_M)$ by (i). Therefore, $a = c(N :_L 1_M)$ where $c = (a1_M :_L N)$. Then $(N :_L 1_M)$ is a multiplication element in L .

\Leftarrow : Let $(N :_L 1_M)$ be a multiplication element in L . Then $(N :_L 1_M)1_M = N$ multiplication element in M by Proposition 1.

(iv) \Rightarrow : Let $N = a1_M$ be a multiplication element in M . Then $(N :_L 1_M) = (a1_M :_L 1_M) = a$ is a multiplication element in L by (iii).

\Leftarrow : Let $a \in L$ be a multiplication element in L . Then $N = a1_M$ is a multiplication element in M by Proposition 1. \square

1.7. Proposition. *Let L be a multiplicative lattice and M a multiplication lattice L -module. If L is a Noetherian (Artinian) lattice, then M is a Noetherian (Artinian) L -module.*

Proof. Suppose that $N_1 \leq N_2 \leq \dots$ and L is Noetherian. Then $(N_1 :_L 1_M) \leq (N_2 :_L 1_M) \leq \dots$. Since L is Noetherian, there is a positive integer $k > 0$ such that $(N_k :_L 1_M) = (N_{k+1} :_L 1_M) = \dots$ and so $(N_k :_L 1_M) 1_M = (N_{k+1} :_L 1_M) 1_M = \dots$. Therefore, $N_k = N_{k+1} = \dots$. Similarly, if L is Artinian, then M is Artinian. \square

1.8. Definition. Let L be a multiplicative lattice and M be a lattice L -module. Let K be a proper element in M . K is said to be a small element if for every element N of M such that $K \vee N = 1_M$ implies $N = 1_M$.

1.9. Definition. Let L be a multiplicative lattice and M be a lattice L -module. If every proper element of M is small, then M is called a hollow L -module.

1.10. Theorem. *Let L be a PG-lattice and M be a faithful multiplication PG-lattice L -module with 1_M compact. Then M is a hollow L -module if and only if L is a hollow L -module.*

Proof. \Rightarrow : Suppose that M is hollow. Let $a < 1_L$ such that $a \vee b = 1_L$ for some $b \in L$. Then $(a \vee b) 1_M = a 1_M \vee b 1_M = 1_M$. Since $a < 1_L$, $a 1_M < 1_M$ by Theorem 2. By hypothesis, $b 1_M = 1_M$ and hence $b = 1_L$ by Theorem 2 (ii). Therefore a is a small element in L .

\Leftarrow : Suppose that L is a hollow L -module. Let $N < 1_M$ and K be a any element in M such that $N \vee K = 1_M$. Since M is a multiplication L -module, we have $N = (N :_L 1_M) 1_M$ and $K = (K :_L 1_M) 1_M$. Then,

$$1_M = N \vee K = (N :_L 1_M) 1_M \vee (K :_L 1_M) 1_M = [(N :_L 1_M) \vee (K :_L 1_M)] 1_M.$$

Therefore, $(N :_L 1_M) \vee (K :_L 1_M) = 1_L$ by Theorem 2 (ii). Since $N = (N :_L 1_M) 1_M < 1_M$, we have $(N :_L 1_M) < 1_L$ and so $(K :_L 1_M) = 1_L$ by hypothesis. This shows that $K = 1_M$. Consequently, M is hollow. \square

1.11. Theorem. *Let L be a PG-lattice and M be a faithful multiplication PG-lattice L -module with 1_M compact. Then, N is small if and only if there exists a small element $a \in L$ such that $N = a 1_M$.*

Proof. \Rightarrow : Suppose that $N \in M$ is small and $N = a 1_M$ for some proper element a in L . Suppose that $a \vee b = 1_L$ for some $b \in L$. Then

$$N \vee b 1_M = a 1_M \vee b 1_M = (a \vee b) 1_M = 1_M$$

and so $b 1_M = 1_M$ by hypothesis. Hence $b = 1_L$ by Theorem 2. This shows that a is small in L .

\Leftarrow : Suppose that $a \in L$ is small such that $N = a 1_M$. Let $N \vee K = a 1_M \vee K = 1_M$ for some $K \in M$. Since M is a multiplication L -module, there is an element $b \in L$ such that $K = b 1_M$ and hence $(a \vee b) 1_M = a 1_M \vee K = 1_M$. Then $a \vee b = 1_L$ by Theorem 2 (ii) and hence $b = 1_L$ by hypothesis. Therefore, $K = 1_M$. This shows that $a 1_M$ is small. \square

1.12. Definition. Let M be a L -module. An element $N < 1_M$ in M is said to be prime if $aX \leq N$ implies $X \leq N$ or $a 1_M \leq N$ i.e. $a \leq (N :_L 1_M)$ for every $a \in L, X \in M$.

1.13. Definition. Let M be an L -module. M is said to be prime L -module if 0_M is prime element of M .

It is clear that 0_M is prime element in M if and only if $(0_M :_L 1_M) = (0_M :_L N)$ for all $0_M \neq N \in M$.

1.14. Definition. Let M be an L -module. M is said to be coprime L -module if $(0_M :_L 1_M) = (N :_L 1_M)$ for all $N \in M$ such that $N < 1_M$.

Recall that a lattice L -module M is called simple if $M = \{0_M, 1_M\}$.

1.15. Proposition. *If M is a multiplication and coprime L -module, then M is simple.*

Proof. Let $N \in M$ such that $N < 1_M$. Since M is a coprime L -module, we have $(0_M :_L 1_M) = (N :_L 1_M)$. Since M is a multiplication L -module, it follows that $N = (N :_L 1_M) 1_M = (0_M :_L 1_M) 1_M = 0_M$. Then M is simple. \square

1.16. Definition. Let L be a PG -lattice and M a PG -lattice L -module. Let p be a maximal element of L . M is called p -torsion provided for each principal element $X \in M$ there exists a principal element $q_X \in L$, $q_X \not\leq p$ such that $q_X X = 0_M$.

1.17. Definition. Let L be a PG -lattice and M be a PG -lattice L -module. M is called p -cyclic provided there exists a principal element $Z \in M$ and a principal element $q \in L$, $q \not\leq p$ such that $q 1_M \leq Z$.

Let M be an L -module. Let N and K be elements of M such that $N \leq K$. Define $[N, K] = \{A \in M : N \leq A \leq K\}$. Then $[N, K]$ is an L -module. It is clear that N is a multiplication element if and only if $[0_M, N]$ is a multiplication lattice L -module. Recall that $\text{ann}(X) = (0_M :_L X)$ for any $X \in M$.

1.18. Theorem. *Let L be a PG -lattice and M be a PG -lattice L -module. Let $\{N_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$ be a collection of elements of M such that $N = \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} N_\lambda$ and $a = \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (N_\lambda :_L N)$.*

i) N is a multiplication element in M .

ii) $H = aH$ for all elements $H \leq N$.

iii) $1_L = a \bigvee \text{ann}(X)$ for all principal elements $X \leq N$.

iv) $(N :_L K) \bigvee \text{ann}(X) = \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (N_\lambda :_L K) \bigvee \text{ann}(X)$ for all principal elements

$X \leq N$ and for all elements K in M .

Then, (i) \Rightarrow (ii) \Leftrightarrow (iii) \Leftrightarrow (iv). If all N_λ are multiplication elements, then the conditions are equivalent.

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii). Let $a = \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (N_\lambda :_L N)$. Then $aN = \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (N_\lambda : N) N = N$. Since N is a multiplication element, there exist an element $h \in L$ such that $H = hN$ for $H \leq N$. Therefore, $aH = ahN = h(aN) = hN = H$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii). Suppose that $1_L \neq a \bigvee \text{ann}(X)$ for all principal elements $X \leq N$. There exists a maximal element $p \in L$ such that $a \bigvee \text{ann}(X) \leq p$ for each principal element $X \leq N$. Since $X = aX \leq pX \leq X$, we have $X = pX$. Then, $1_L = (pX :_L X) = p \bigvee \text{ann}(X)$. Since $\text{ann}(X) \leq a \bigvee \text{ann}(X) \leq p$, we get a contradiction.

(iii) \Rightarrow (ii). Since $X = (a \bigvee \text{ann}(X)) X = aX$ for all principal elements $X \leq N$, it follows that $H = aH$ for every $H \leq N$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (iv). Since $\bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (N_\lambda :_L K) K \leq \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} N_\lambda = N$, we have $\bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (N_\lambda :_L K) \leq$

$\left(\bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} N_\lambda :_L K \right) = (N :_L K)$. Therefore, $\bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (N_\lambda :_L K) \bigvee \text{ann}(X) \leq (N :_L K) \bigvee \text{ann}(X)$

for all principal elements $X \leq N$. Conversely, w_1 and w_2 be principal elements such that $w_1 \bigvee w_2 \leq (N :_L K) \bigvee \text{ann}(X)$ where $w_1 \leq (N :_L K)$ and $w_2 \leq \text{ann}(X)$. Then $1_L = a \bigvee \text{ann}(X) = \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (N_\lambda :_L N) \bigvee \text{ann}(X)$. Hence $w_1 = \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (N_\lambda :_L N) w_1 \bigvee \text{ann}(X) w_1$.

Since $w_1 K \leq N$, we have $(N_\lambda :_L N) w_1 K \leq (N_\lambda :_L N) N \leq N_\lambda$ and so $(N_\lambda :_L N) w_1 \leq (N_\lambda :_L K)$. Therefore,

$$w_1 \vee w_2 = \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (N_\lambda :_L N) w_1 \vee \text{ann}(X) w_1 \vee w_2 \\ \leq \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (N_\lambda :_L K) \vee \text{ann}(X).$$

Hence, $(N :_L K) \vee \text{ann}(X) \leq \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (N_\lambda :_L K) \vee \text{ann}(X)$.

(iv) \Rightarrow (iii). If we take $K = N$, then $1_L = (N :_L N) \vee \text{ann}(X) = a \vee \text{ann}(X)$

(iii) \Rightarrow (i). Suppose that $1_L = a \vee \text{ann}(X)$ for all principal elements $X \leq N$. Suppose that N is not p -torsion. There exists a principal element $X \leq N$ such that $\text{ann}(X) = (0_M :_L X) \leq p$. Since $1_L = a \vee \text{ann}(X)$, we have $a = \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (N_\lambda :_L N) \not\leq p$. There exists

$\lambda \in \Lambda$ such that $(N_\lambda :_L N) \not\leq p$. There exists a principal element $b \not\leq p$ such that $b \leq (N_\lambda :_L N)$. Since N_λ is a multiplication element and not p -torsion, it follows that N_λ is p -cyclic by Theorem 1. Indeed, if N_λ is a p -torsion, then $cN_\lambda = 0_M$ for some principal element $c \not\leq p$ and so $bN \leq N_\lambda$ implies $bcN \leq cN_\lambda = 0_M$. Then $bc \leq (0_M :_L N)$. Therefore $bcY = 0_M$ for all principal elements $Y \leq N$ and principal element $bc \not\leq p$. Since N is not p -torsion, this is a contradiction. Hence N_λ is p -cyclic. Therefore, $dN_\lambda \leq Y_\lambda$ for some principal element $Y_\lambda \leq N_\lambda$ and principal element $d \not\leq p$. Therefore, $bN \leq N_\lambda$ and so $bdN \leq dN_\lambda \leq Y_\lambda$ and $bd \not\leq p$. Consequently, N is p -cyclic. \square

1.19. Theorem. (Nakayama Lemma) *Let M be a non-zero multiplication PG-lattice L -module. Let $a \in L$ such that for all maximal element $q \in L$, $a \leq q$. Then $a1_M < 1_M$.*

Proof. Let $a \in L$ such that $a \leq q$ for all maximal element $q \in L$ and suppose that $a1_M = 1_M$. Let consider a principal element $0_M \neq X \in M$. Since M is a multiplication L -module, we have $X = b1_M$ for some $b \in L$. Hence $X = b1_M = ab1_M = aX$. Thus $1_L = (aX : X) = a \vee (0_M :_L X)$ for all principal elements $X \in M$. Since $(0_M :_L X) < 1_L$, there exists a maximal element $p \in L$ such that $(0_M :_L X) \leq p$. By hypothesis $a \leq p$, hence $1_L = (aX : X) = a \vee (0_M :_L X) \leq p$ and we obtain a contradiction. \square

1.20. Proposition. *Let L be a multiplicative PG-lattice. Let M be a multiplication PG-lattice L -module and $(0_M : 1_M) \leq p$ for some prime element $p \in L$. If $a1_M \leq p1_M$ for some $a \in L$, then $a \leq p$ or $p1_M = 1_M$.*

Proof. If $a1_M \leq p1_M$ for some $a \in L$, then $aX \leq p1_M$ for all principal element $X \in M$. Hence $a \leq p$ or $X \leq p1_M$ [see 16, Theorem 6]. If $a \not\leq p$, then $X \leq p1_M$ for all principal element $X \in M$, hence it is clear that $p1_M = 1_M$. \square

1.21. Proposition. *Let L be a multiplicative PG-lattice. Let M be a multiplication PG-lattice L -module. Then K is maximal element of M if and only if there exist a maximal element $p \in L$ such that $K = p1_M < 1_M$.*

Proof. \Leftarrow : If there exist a maximal element $p \in L$ such that $K = p1_M < 1_M$, then K is maximal [see16, Proposition 4].

\Rightarrow : Let K be a maximal element of M and $(K :_L 1_M) = q$. Since M is a multiplication lattice module, we have $K = q1_M$. We show that $(K :_L 1_M) = q$ is a maximal element of L . If q is not a maximal element, there exists a maximal element p such that $q < p$. Then $p1_M \not\leq K$. Indeed, if $p1_M \leq K$, then $p \leq (K :_L 1_M) = q$. This is a contradiction. Therefore, $1_M = K \vee p1_M = (q \vee p)1_M = p1_M$. Hence $X = pX$ for all principal elements X and so $1_L = (pX :_L X) = p \vee (0_M :_L X)$. This implies that $(0_M :_L X) \not\leq p$. Therefore, there exists a principal element $p_X \in L$ such that $p_X \leq (0_M :_L X)$ and $p_X \not\leq p$. If we take a principal element X such that $X \not\leq K$, then $X \vee K = 1_M$. Hence $p_X X \vee p_X K = p_X 1_M$ and so $p_X K = p_X 1_M \leq K$. Therefore, $p_X \leq (K :_L 1_M) = q < p$. This is a contradiction. \square

1.22. Theorem. Let L be a CG-lattice and M be a PG-lattice L -module. Then M is a multiplication lattice L -module if and only if for every maximal element $q \in L$,

- (i) For every principal element $Y \in M$, there exists a compact element $q_Y \in L$ with $q_Y \not\leq q$ such that $q_Y Y = 0_M$ or
- (ii) There exists a principal element $X \in M$ and a compact element $b \in L$ with $b \not\leq q$ such that $b1_M \leq X$.

Proof. \implies : Let M be a multiplication lattice L -module. We have two cases.

Case 1. Let $q1_M = 1_M$ where q is a maximal element of L . For every principal element $Y \in M$, there exists an element $a \in L$ such that $Y = a1_M$. Then $Y = a1_M = aq1_M = qY$. Therefore, $1_L = (qY :_L Y) = q \vee (0_M :_L Y)$. Hence $(0_M :_L Y) \not\leq q$. There exists a compact element q_Y such that $q_Y \leq (0_M :_L Y)$ and $q_Y \not\leq q$.

Case 2. Let $q1_M < 1_M$. There exists a principal element $X \in M$ such that $X = j1_M \not\leq q1_M$, with $j \in L, j \not\leq q$. There exists a compact element $b \in L$ with $b \leq j$ and $b \not\leq q$. We obtain $b1_M \leq j1_M = X$.

\impliedby : Let $N \in M$. Put $a = (N :_L 1_M)$. Clearly $a1_M = (N :_L 1_M)1_M \leq N$. Take any principal element $Y \leq N$. We will show that $(a1_M :_L Y) = 1_L$. Suppose there exists a maximal element $q \in L$ such that $(a1_M :_L Y) \leq q$. We have two cases.

Case 1. Suppose that (i) is satisfied. There exists a compact element $q_Y \in L$ with $q_Y \not\leq q$ such that $q_Y Y = 0_M$ for every principal element $Y \in M$. Then $q_Y \leq (0_M :_L Y) \leq (a1_M :_L Y) \leq q$. This is a contradiction.

Case 2. Suppose that (ii) is satisfied. There exists a principal element $X \in M$ and a compact element $b \in L$ with $b \not\leq q$ such that $b1_M \leq X$. Then $bN \leq b1_M \leq X$ for any $N \in M$. Since X is a principal element of M , $bN = (bN :_L X)X$. Then $b(bN :_L X)1_M \leq (bN :_L X)X = bN \leq N$ and so $b(bN :_L X) \leq a = (N :_L 1_M)$. Therefore $b^2Y \leq b^2N = b(bN :_L X)X \leq aX \leq a1_M$ imply $b^2 \leq (a1_M :_L Y) \leq q$. Since q is maximal (and so prime) element of L , we have $b \leq q$. This is a contradiction. \square

1.23. Definition. Let M be an L -module. An element $N < 1_M$ in M is said to be primary, if $aX \leq N$ and $X \not\leq N$ implies $a^k 1_M \leq N$, for some $k \geq 0$ i.e. $a^k \leq (N :_L 1_M)$ for every $a \in L, X \in M$.

If a is an element of a multiplicative lattice L , we define $\sqrt{a} = \bigvee \{b \in L : b^n \leq a \text{ for some natural number } n\}$.

1.24. Theorem. Let L be a CG-lattice and M be a multiplication PG-lattice L -module. Suppose that p is a primary element in L with $(0_M :_L 1_M) \leq p$. If $aX \leq p1_M$, where $a \in L, X \in M$, then $X \leq p1_M$ or $a \leq \sqrt{p}$.

Proof. We may suppose that X is principal in M . Suppose that $aX \leq p1_M$ with $a \not\leq \sqrt{p}$. We will show that $(p1_M :_L X) = 1_L$. Suppose that there exists a maximal element $q \in L$ such that $(p1_M :_L X) \leq q$. By theorem 7, we have two cases.

Case 1. If there exists a compact element $q_x \in L$ with $q_x \not\leq q$ such that $0_M = q_x X$, then $q_x \leq (0_M :_L X) \leq (p1_M :_L X) \leq q$. This is a contradiction.

Case 2. If there exists a principal element $Y \in M$ and a compact element $b \in L$ with $b \not\leq q$ such that $b1_M \leq Y$, then $bX \leq b1_M \leq Y$. Since Y is principal, we have $bX = (bX :_L Y)Y$. Put $(bX :_L Y) = s$. Then $abX = asY$. Since Y is join principal, it follows that $(asY :_L Y) = as \vee (0_M :_L Y)$. Since Y is meet principal, we have $abX = (abX :_L Y)Y$. Put $c = (abX :_L Y)$. Since $cY = abX \leq bp1_M \leq pY$, it follows that $c \vee (0_M :_L Y) = (cY :_L Y) \leq (pY :_L Y) = p \vee (0_M :_L Y)$. Since $b(0_M :_L Y)1_M = (0_M :_L Y)b1_M \leq (0_M :_L Y)Y = 0_M$, we have $b(0_M :_L Y) \leq (0_M :_L 1_M) \leq p$. Hence $bc \vee b(0_M :_L Y) \leq bp \vee b(0_M :_L Y) \leq p$. Therefore, $bc \leq p$. On the other hand, $c = (abX :_L Y) = (asY :_L Y) = as \vee (0_M :_L Y)$ and so $abs \leq abs \vee b(0_M :_L Y) = bc \leq p$. If $b \leq \sqrt{p}$, since b is compact, we obtain $b \leq a_1 \vee a_2 \vee \dots \vee a_m$ such that $a_i^{n_i} \leq p$.

for each $i = 1, \dots, m$. For $k = n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_m$, we have $b^k \leq a_1^k \vee a_2^k \vee \dots \vee a_m^k \leq p$. Then $b^k \leq p \leq (p1_M :_L X) \leq q$. Since q is maximal, we obtain $b \leq q$. This is a contradiction. Therefore, $b \not\leq \sqrt{p}$. Since $a \not\leq \sqrt{p}$, $b \not\leq \sqrt{p}$ and p is primary, we have $s \leq p$. So, $bX = sY \leq pY \leq p1_M$ and therefore $b \leq (p1_M :_L X) \leq q$. This is a contradiction.

1.25. Corollary. *Let L be a CG-lattice and M be a PG-lattice L -module. Let M be a multiplication lattice L -module and $N < 1_M$. Then the following conditions are equivalent.*

- i) N is a primary element in M .*
- ii) $(N :_L 1_M)$ is a primary element in L .*
- iii) There exists a primary element p in L with $(0_M :_L 1_M) \leq p$ such that $N = p1_M$.*

□

Proof. *i) \implies ii) \implies iii) :* Clear.

iii) \implies i) : Let $aX \leq N$ and $X \not\leq N$ for $a \in L, X \in M$. Since there exists a primary element p in L with $(0_M :_L 1_M) \leq p$ such that $N = p1_M$, we have $aX \leq p1_M$ and $X \not\leq p1_M$. By theorem 8, $a \leq \sqrt{p}$ and so $a^k \leq p$ for some $k > 0$. Hence $a^k \leq (p1_M :_L 1_M) = (N :_L 1_M)$. □

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