

SOME NOTES ON QUASI-ANTIORDERS AND COEQUALITY RELATIONS¹

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Abstract

It is known that each quasi-antiorder on anti-ordered set X induces coequality q on X such that X/q is an anti-ordered set. The converse of this statement also holds: Each coequality q on a set X such that X/q is anti-ordered set induces a quasi-antiorder on X . In this paper we give proofs that the families of all coequality relations q on X and the family of all quasi-antiorder relation on set X are complete lattices.

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1 Introduction and preliminary

This short investigation, in Bishop's constructive mathematics in the sense of well-known books [2], [4], [6] and [18] and Bogdanić, Romano and Vinčić's paper [3], Jojić and Romano's paper [6], and Romano's papers [7]-[16], is continuation of forthcoming the second author's papers [17]. Bishop's constructive mathematics is developed on Constructive Logic - logic without the Law of Excluded Middle $P \vee \neg P$. Let us note that in the Constructive Logic the 'Double Negation Law' $\neg\neg P \implies P$ does not hold, but the following implication $P \implies \neg\neg P$ does even in the Minimal Logic. Since the Constructive Logic is a part of the Classical Logic, these results, in the Constructive mathematics, are compatible with suitable results in the Classical mathematics. Let us recall that the following deduction principle $A \vee B, \neg B \vdash A$ is acceptable in the Constructive Logic.

Let $(X, =, \neq)$ be a set, where the relation \neq is a binary relation on X , called *diversity* on X , which satisfies the following properties:

$$\neg(x \neq x), \quad x \neq y \implies y \neq x, \quad x \neq y \wedge y = z \implies x \neq z.$$

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Following Heyting, if the following implication $x \neq z \implies x \neq y \vee y \neq z$ holds, the diversity \neq is called *apartness*. Let x be an element of X and A a subset of X . We write $x \bowtie A$ if and only if $(\forall a \in A)(x \neq a)$, and $A^C = \{x \in X : x \bowtie A\}$. In $X \times X$ the equality and diversity are defined by $(x, y) = (u, v) \iff x = u \wedge y = v$, $(x, y) \neq (u, v) \iff x \neq u \vee y \neq v$, and equality and diversity relations in power-set $\wp(X \times X)$ of $X \times X$ by

$$\alpha =_2 \beta \iff (\forall (x, y) \in X \times X)((x, y) \in \alpha \iff (x, y) \in \beta),$$

$$\alpha \neq_2 \beta \iff$$

$$(\exists x, y \in X)((x, y) \in \alpha \wedge (x, y) \not\bowtie \beta) \vee (\exists x, y \in X)((x, y) \in \beta \wedge (x, y) \not\bowtie \alpha).$$

Let us note that the diversity relation \neq_2 is not an apartness relation in general case.

Example I: (1) The relation $\neg(=)$ is an apartness on the set \mathbf{Z} of integers.
 (2) The relation q , defined on the set $\mathbf{Q}^{\mathbf{N}}$ by

$$(f, g) \in q \iff (\exists k \in \mathbf{N})(\exists n \in \mathbf{N})(m \geq n \implies |f(m) - g(m)| > k^{-1}),$$

is an apartness relation. \blacklozenge

A relation q on X is a coequality relation ([7]-[9]) on X if and only if it is consistent, symmetric and cotransitive:

$$q \subseteq \neq, q = q^{-1}, q \subseteq q * q,$$

where ” $*$ ” is the operation of relations $\alpha \subseteq X \times X$ and $\beta \subseteq X \times X$, called filled product ([8], [9], [12]-[15]) of relations α and β , are relation on X defined by

$$(a, c) \in \beta * \alpha \iff (\forall b \in X)((a, b) \in \alpha \vee (b, c) \in \beta).$$

For further study of coequality relation we suggest to read articles [8], [11], [13]-[16] (Specially, in articles [10], [12], [13] and [14], the author researches coequality relations compatible with the algebraic operations.) In article [7] and [8], problems of existence of compatible equality and coequality relations on set with apartness are discussed. In article [9], the author has proved the following: If e is an equivalence on set X , then there exists the maximal coequality relation q on X compatible with e in the following sense:

$$e \circ q \subseteq q \text{ and } q \circ e \subseteq q.$$

Opposite to the previous, if q is a coequality relation on set X , then the relation $q^C = \{(x, y) \in X \times X : (x, y) \bowtie q\}$ is an equivalence on X compatible with q ([8], [11]), and we can ([11]) construct the factor-set $X/(q^C, q) = \{aq^C : a \in X\}$ with:

$$aq^C =_1 bq^C \iff (a, b) \bowtie q, \quad aq^C \neq_1 bq^C \iff (a, b) \in q.$$

Also, we can ([8],[11]) construct the factor-set $X/q = \{aq : a \in X\}$: If q is a coequality relation on a set X , then X/q is a set with:

$$aq =_1 bq \iff (a, b) \bowtie q, \quad aq \neq_1 bq \iff (a, b) \in q.$$

It is easily to check that $X/q \cong X/(q^C, q)$. besides, it is clear that the mapping $\pi : X \longrightarrow X/q$, defined by $\pi(x) = xq$, is a strongly extensional surjective function.

Subset $C(x) = \{y \in X : y \neq x\}$ satisfies the following implication:

$$y \in C(x) \wedge z \in X \implies y \neq z \vee z \in C(x).$$

It is called a principal strongly extensional subset of X such that $x \bowtie C(x)$. Following this special case, for a subset A of X , we say that it is a strongly extensional subset of X if and only if the following implication

$$x \in A \wedge y \in X \implies x \neq y \vee y \in A$$

holds.

Examples II: (1) ([7]) Let T be a set and J be a subfamily of $\wp(T)$ such that

$$\emptyset \in J, \quad A \subseteq B \wedge B \in J \implies A \in J, \quad A \cap B \in J \implies A \in J \vee B \in J.$$

If $(X_t)_{t \in T}$ is a family of sets, then the relation q on $\prod_{t \in T} X_t (\neq \emptyset)$, defined by $(f, g) \in q \iff \{s \in T : (f(s) = g(s))\} \in J$, is a coequality relation on the Cartesian product $\prod_t X_t$.

(2) A ring R is a local ring if for each $r \in R$, either r or $1 - r$ is a unit, and let M be a module over R . The relation q on M , defined by $(x, y) \in q$ if there exists a homomorphism $f : M \longrightarrow R$ such that $f(x - y)$ is a unit, is a coequality relation on M .

(3) ([11]) Let T be a strongly extensional consistent subset of semigroup S , i.e. let $(\forall x, y \in S)(xy \in T \implies x \in T \wedge y \in T)$ holds. Then, relation q on semigroup S , defined by $(a, b) \in q$ if and only if $a \neq b \wedge (a \in T \vee b \in T)$, is a coequality relation on S and compatible with semigroup operation in the following sense $(\forall x, y, a, b \in S)((xay, xby) \in q \implies (a, b) \in q)$.

(4) Let $(R, =, \neq, +, 0, \cdot, 1)$ be a commutative ring. A subset Q of R is a coideal of R if and only if

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \bowtie Q, \quad -x \in Q \implies x \in Q, \quad x + y \in Q \implies x \in Q \vee y \in Q, \\ xy \in Q \implies x \in Q \wedge y \in Q. \end{aligned}$$

Coideals of commutative ring with apartness were first defined and studied by Ruitenburg 1982 in his dissertation. After that, coideals (anti-ideals) are studied by A.S. Troelstra and D. van Dalen in their monograph [18]. This author proved, in 1988], if Q is a coideal of a ring R , then the relation q on R , defined

by $(x, y) \in q \iff x - y \in Q$, satisfies the following properties:

- (a) q is a coequality relation on R ;
- (b) $(\forall x, y, u, v \in R)((x + u, y + v) \in q \implies (x, y) \in q \vee (u, v) \in q)$;
- (c) $(\forall x, y, u, v \in R)((xu, yv) \in q \implies (x, y) \in q \vee (u, v) \in q)$.

A relation q on R , which satisfies the property (a)-(c), is called anticongruence on R ([4]) or coequality relation compatible with ring operations. If q is an anticongruence on a ring R , then the set $Q = \{x \in R : (x, 0) \in q\}$ is a coideal of R . \blacklozenge

As in [12],[13], [14] and [15] a relation α on X is antiorder on X if and only if

$$\alpha \subseteq \neq, \alpha \subseteq \alpha * \alpha, \neq \subseteq \alpha \cup \alpha^{-1} \text{ (linearity).}$$

Let g be a strongly extensional mapping of anti-ordered set from $(X, =, \neq, \alpha)$ into $(Y, =, \neq, \beta)$. For g we say that it is:

- (i) isotone if $(\forall a, b \in X)((a, b) \in \alpha \implies (g(a), g(b)) \in \beta)$ holds;
- (ii) reverse isotone if $(\forall a, b \in X)((g(a), g(b)) \in \beta \implies (a, b) \in \alpha)$ holds.

A relation σ on X is a quasi-antiorder ([11]-[16]) on X if

$$\sigma \subseteq (\alpha \subseteq) \neq, \sigma \subseteq \sigma * \sigma.$$

It is clear that each coequality relation q on set X is a quasi-antiorder relation on X , and the apartness is a trivial anti-order relation on X . It is easy to check that if σ is a quasi-antiorder on X , then ([10]) the relation $q = \sigma \cup \sigma^{-1}$ is a coequality relation on X . The notion of quasi-antiorder is defined for first time in article [8], and the notion of anti-order relation is defined for the first time in article [10]. Those relations and their properties are investigated by Baroni in [1], Bogdanić, Jojić and Romano in [3], Jojić and Romano in [6], and van Plato in [19] also.

Examples III: Let a and b be elements of semigroup $(S, =, \neq, \cdot)$. Then ([11]), the set $C_{(a)} = \{x \in S : x \bowtie SaS\}$ is a consistent subset of S such that :

- $a \bowtie C_{(a)}$;
- $C_{(a)} \neq \emptyset \implies 1 \in C_{(a)}$;
- Let a be an invertible element of S . Then $C_{(a)} = \emptyset$;
- $(\forall x, y \in S)(C_{(a)} \subseteq C_{(xay)})$;
- $C_{(a)} \cup C_{(b)} \subseteq C_{(ab)}$.

Let a be an arbitrary element of a semigroup S with apartness. The consistent subset $C_{(a)}$ is called a principal consistent subset of S generated by a . We introduce relation f , defined by $(a, b) \in f \iff b \in C_{(a)}$. The relation f has the

following properties ([11, Theorem 7]):

- f is a consistent relation ;
- $(a, b) \in f \implies (\forall x, y \in S)((xay, b) \in f)$;
- $(a, b) \in f \implies (\forall n \in \mathbf{N})((a^n, b) \in f)$;
- $(\forall x, y \in S)((a, xby) \in f \implies (a, b) \in f)$;
- $(\forall x, y \in S)((a, xay) \in f)$.

We can construct the cotransitive relation $c(f) = \bigcap^n f$ as cotransitive fulfillment of the relation f ([8]-[11],[15]). As consequences of these assertions we have the following results. The relation $c(f)$ satisfies the following properties:

- $c(f)$ is a quasi-antiorder on S ;
- $(\forall x, y \in S)((a, xay) \bowtie c(f))$;
- $(\forall n \in \mathbf{N})((a, a^n) \bowtie c(f))$;
- $(\forall x, y \in S)((a, b) \in c(f) \implies (xay, b) \in c(f))$;
- $(\forall n \in \mathbf{N})((a, b) \in c(f) \implies (an, b) \in c(f))$;
- $(\forall x, y \in S)((a, xby) \in c(f) \implies (a, b) \in c(f))$. \blacklozenge

For a given anti-ordered set $(X, =, \neq, \alpha)$ is essential to know if there exists a coequality relation q on X such that X/q is an anti-ordered set. This plays an important role for studying the structure of anti-ordered sets. The following question is natural: If $(X, =, \neq, \alpha)$ is an anti-ordered set and q a coequality relation on X , is the factor-set X/q anti-ordered set? Naturally, anti-order on X/q should be the relation Θ on X/q defined by means of the anti-order α on X such that $\Theta = \{(xq, yq) \in X/q : (x, y) \in \alpha\}$, but it is not held in general case. The following question appears: Is there coequality relation q on X for which X/q is an anti-ordered set such that the natural mapping $\pi : X \longrightarrow X/q$ is reverse isotone? The concept of quasi-antiorder relation was introduced by this author in his papers [8] and [9]-[16] (Particularly, in articles [10] and [14], the author investigated anti-ordered algebraic systems with apartness.). According to Lemma 0 in [12], if $(X, =, \neq)$ is a set and σ is a quasi-antiorder on X , then ([12, Lemma 1]) the relation q on X , defined by $q = \sigma \cup \sigma^{-1}$, is a coequality relation on X , and the set X/q is an anti-ordered set under anti-order Θ defined by $(xq, yq) \in \Theta \iff (x, y) \in \sigma$. So, according to results in [12] and [13], each quasi-antiorder σ on an ordered set X under anti-order α induces an coequality relation $q =_2 \sigma \cup \sigma^{-1}$ on X such that X/q is an anti-ordered set under Θ . (For a further study of quasi-antiorders on anti-ordered set we refer to papers [12], [13] and forthcoming the author's paper [17].) In paper [14] we proved that the converse of this statement also holds. If $(X, =, \neq, \alpha)$ is an anti-ordered set and q coequality relation on X , and if there exists an order relation Θ_1 on X/q such that the $(X/q, =_1, \neq_1, \Theta_1)$ is an anti-ordered and the mapping $\pi : X \longrightarrow X/q$ is reverse isotone (so-called regular coequality), then there exists a quasi-antiorder σ on X such that $q =_2 \sigma \cup \sigma^{-1}$. So, each regular coequality q on a set $(X, =, \neq, \alpha)$

induces a quasi-antiorder on X . Besides, connections between the family of all quasi-antiororders on X , the family of coequality relations on X , and the family of all regular coequality relations q on X are given.

Lemma 1.1 *Let τ be a quasi-antiorder on set X . Then $x\tau$ (τx) is a strongly extensional subset of X , such that $x \bowtie x\tau$ ($x \bowtie \tau x$), for each $x \in X$. Besides, the following implication $(x, z) \in \tau \implies x\tau \cup \tau z = X$ holds for each x, z of X .*

Proof: From $\tau \subseteq \neq$ it follows $x \bowtie x\tau$. Let $yx \in \tau$ holds, and let z be an arbitrary element of X . Thus, $(x, y) \in \tau$ and $(x, z) \in \tau \vee (z, y) \in \tau$. So, we have $z \in x\tau \vee y \neq z$. Therefore, $x\tau$ is a strongly extensional subset of X such that $x \bowtie x\tau$.

The proof that τx is a strongly extensional subset of X such that $x \bowtie \tau x$ is analogous. Besides, the following implication $(x, z) \in \tau \implies x\tau \cup \tau z = X$ holds for each x, y of X . Indeed, if $(x, z) \in \tau$ and y is an arbitrary element of X , then $(\forall y \in X)((x, y) \in \tau \vee (y, z) \in \tau)$. Thus, $X = x\tau \cup \tau z$. \square

Let τ be a quasi-antiorder on set X . Then for every pair (x, z) of τ there exists a pair (A_x, B_z) of strongly extensional subsets of X such that $x \bowtie A_x \wedge z \bowtie B_z$ and $X = A_x \cup B_z$ and $x \in B_z \wedge z \in A_x$.

Example IV: If A is a strongly extensional subset of X , then the relation σ on X , defined by $(x, y) \in \sigma \iff x \in A \wedge x \neq y$, is a quasi-antiorder relation on X .

Proof: It is clear that σ is a consistent relation on X . Assume $(x, z) \in \sigma$ and let y be an arbitrary element of X . Then, $x \in A \wedge x \neq z$. Thus, $x \neq y \vee y \neq z$. If $x \neq y$ and $x \in A$, then $(x, y) \in \sigma$. If $y \neq z$ and $x \in A$, by strongly extensionality of A , we have $y \neq z$ and $x \in A$ and $x \neq y \vee y \in A$. In the case of $y \neq z \wedge x \in A \wedge x \neq y$ we have again $(x, y) \in \sigma$; in the case of $y \neq z$ and $x \in A$ and $y \in A$ we have $(y, z) \in \sigma$. So, the relation σ is a cotransitive relation. Therefore, relation σ is a quasi-antiorder relation on X . Further on, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} x \in A &\implies x\sigma = C(x), \quad \neg(x \in A) \implies x\sigma = \emptyset; \\ y \in A &\implies \sigma y = C(y) \cap A, \quad y \bowtie A \implies \sigma y = A. \quad \blacklozenge \end{aligned}$$

2 Main Results

In the following proposition we give a connection between the family $\mathfrak{S}(X)$ of all quasi-antiororders on set X and the family $\mathbf{q}(X)$ of all coequality relation on X

For a set $(X, =, \neq, \alpha)$ by $\mathfrak{R}(X, \alpha)$ we denote the family of all regular coequality relations q on X with respect to α , and by $\mathfrak{S}(X, \alpha)$ denotes the family of all quasi-antiorder relation on X included in α .

Let us note that families $\mathfrak{S}(X)$, $\mathfrak{S}(X, \alpha)$ and $\mathbf{q}(X)$ are complete lattices. Indeed, in the following two theorems we give proofs for those facts:

Theorem 2.1 *If $\{\tau_k\}_{k \in J}$ is a family of quasi-antiorders on a set $(X, =, \neq)$, then $\bigcup_{k \in J} \tau_k$ and $c(\bigcap_{k \in J} \tau_k)$ are quasi-antiorders in X . So, the families $\mathfrak{S}(X)$ and $\mathfrak{S}(X, \alpha)$ are complete lattices.*

Proof: (1) Let $\{\tau_k\}_{k \in J}$ is a family of quasi-antiorders on a set $(X, =, \neq)$ and let x, z be an arbitrary elements of X such that $(x, z) \in \bigcup_{k \in J} \tau_k$. Then, there exists k in J such that $(x, z) \in \tau_k$. Hence, for every $y \in X$ we have $(x, y) \in \tau_k \vee (y, z) \in \tau_k$. So, $(x, y) \in \bigcup_{k \in J} \tau_k \vee (y, z) \in \bigcup_{k \in J} \tau_k$. On the other hand, for every k in J holds $\tau_k \subseteq \neq$. From this we have $\bigcup_{k \in J} \tau_k \subseteq \neq$. So, we can put $\sup\{\tau_k : k \in J\} = \bigcup_{k \in J} \tau_k$.

(2) Let $R (\subseteq \neq)$ be a relation on a set $(X, =, \neq)$. Then for an inhabited family of quasi-antiorders under R there exists the biggest quasi-antiorder relation under R . That relation is exactly the relation $c(R)$. In fact:

By (1), there exists the biggest quasi-antiorder relation on X under R . Let Q_R be the inhabited family of all quasi-antiorder relation on X under R . With (R) we denote the biggest quasi-antiorder relation $\bigcup Q_R$ on X under R . On the other hand, the fulfillment $c(R) = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} {}^n R$ of the relation R is a cotransitive relation on set X under R . Therefore, $c(R) \subseteq (R)$ holds.

We need to show that $(R) \subseteq c(R)$. Let $\tau (\subseteq (R) = \bigcup Q_R)$ be a quasi-antiorder relation in X under R . Firstly, we have $\tau \subseteq R = {}^1 R$. Assume $(x, z) \in \tau$. Then, out of $(\forall y \in X)((x, y) \in \tau \vee (y, z) \in \tau)$ we conclude that for every y in X holds $(x, y) \in R \vee (y, z) \in R$, i.e. holds $(x, z) \in R * R = {}^2 R$. So, we have $\tau \subseteq {}^2 R$. Now, we will suppose that $\tau \subseteq {}^n R$, and suppose that $(x, z) \in \tau$. Then, $(\forall y \in X)((x, y) \in \tau \vee (y, z) \in \tau)$ implies that $(x, y) \in R \vee (y, z) \in {}^n R$ holds for every $y \in X$. Therefore, $(x, z) \in {}^{n+1} R$. So, we have $\tau \subseteq {}^{n+1} R$. Thus, by induction, we have $\tau \subseteq \bigcap {}^n R$. let us remember that τ is an arbitrary quasi-antiorder on X under R . Hence, we proved that $(R) = \bigcup Q_R \subseteq c(R)$. If $\{\tau_k\}_{k \in J}$ is a family of quasi-antiorders on a set $(X, =, \neq)$, then $c(\bigcap_{k \in J} \tau_k)$ is a quasi-antiorder in X , and we can set $\inf\{\tau_k : k \in J\} = c(\bigcap_{k \in J} \tau_k)$. \square

Theorem 2.2 *Let $(X, =, \neq)$ be a set with apartness. The family $\mathfrak{q}(X)$ is a complete lattice.*

Proof: If $\{q_k : k \in \Lambda\}$ is a family of coequality relations on X , then $\bigcup q_k$ and $c(\bigcap q_k)$ are coequality relations on X such that $(\forall k \in \Lambda)(q_k \subseteq \bigcup q_k)$ and $(\forall k \in \Lambda)(c(\bigcap q_k) \subseteq q_k)$. Since $\bigcup q_k$ is the minimal extension of every q_k we can put $\sup\{q_k : k \in \Lambda\} = \bigcup q_k$, and since $c(\bigcap q_k)$ is the maximal coequality relation under $\bigcap q_k (\subseteq q_k)$ we can set $\inf\{q_k : k \in \Lambda\} = c(\bigcap q_k)$. \square

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