

# The Category $Cv_{D_0,N}\text{-Cmod}$ and $\mathbf{MP}$

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This paper deals with the halving morphism of  $Cv_{D_0,N}$ -convex modules, where  $D_0$  is the semiring of non-negative dyadic rationals, and its use in the explicit construction of the left adjoint to the functor  $O_{D_0,N} : D_0\text{-Mod} \rightarrow Cv_{D_0,N}\text{-Cmod}$  that assigns to each  $D_0$ -module its canonical  $Cv_{D_0,N}$ -convex module. Furthermore it is shown that  $Cv_{D_0,N}\text{-Cmod}$  is isomorphic to the category  $\mathbf{MP}$  of midpoint algebras.

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## 1. Introduction

For the purpose of this paper  $C$  stands for a commutative cone semiring, that is a partially ordered commutative semiring with 0 as its smallest element, and with the property that  $2 = 1 + 1 \in C$  has a multiplicative inverse  $\frac{1}{2}$ . The ring  $D := \mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{2}]$  of dyadic rationals contains the commutative cone semiring  $D_0$  of non-negative elements.

Let  $N$  be any infinite class. By a *finitary  $N$ -convexity theory* over  $C$  is meant a class  $\Gamma$  of maps  $\alpha_* : N \rightarrow C$  with the following properties:

- (0) every  $\alpha_* \in \Gamma$  has finite support  $\text{supp } \alpha_*$  and  $\sum\{\alpha_n : n \in \text{supp } \alpha_*\} \leq 1$ ;
- (i) for every  $n \in N$  the Dirac map  $\delta_*^n$  (value 1 at  $n$  and 0 elsewhere) is in  $\Gamma$ ;
- (ii) for every  $\alpha_* \in \Gamma$  and  $\beta_*^\square \in \Gamma$ ,  $n \in N$ , the map  $\langle \alpha_\square, \beta_*^\square \rangle$  given by  $N \ni n \mapsto \sum\{\alpha_m \beta_n^m : m \in \text{supp } \alpha_*\}$  is in  $\Gamma$ .

The class  $Cv_{C,N}$  of all maps  $\alpha_* : N \rightarrow C$  with finite support satisfying  $\sum\{\alpha_n : n \in \text{supp } \alpha_*\} = 1$  is such an  $N$ -convexity theory. It is called the *classical  $N$ -convexity theory* over  $C$ . Our main interest is in the classical convexity theory  $Cv_{D_0,N}$  over  $D_0$ .

Given a (finitary)  $N$ -convexity theory  $\Gamma$ , a set  $X$  together with a map  $\Gamma \times (N, X) \ni (\alpha_*, x^*) \mapsto \langle \alpha_*, x^* \rangle \in X$  is called a  $\Gamma$ -convex module if

- (i') for every  $n \in N$  and  $x^* \in (N, X)$ ,  $\langle \delta_*^n, x^* \rangle = x^n$ ;
- (ii') for every  $\alpha_* \in \Gamma$ ,  $\beta_*^\square \in (N, \Gamma)$ , and  $x^* \in (N, X)$ ,  $\langle \alpha_\square, \beta_*^\square \rangle, x^* \rangle = \langle \alpha_\square, \langle \beta_*^\square, x^* \rangle \rangle$ .

Here,  $(N, X)$  stands for the conglomerate of all maps  $N \rightarrow X$ ,  $(N, \Gamma)$  the conglomerate of all maps  $N \rightarrow \Gamma$ , and  $\langle \beta_*^\square, x^* \rangle$  for the map  $N \ni n \mapsto \langle \beta_*^n, x^* \rangle \in X$ . Sometimes it is convenient to write  $\sum\{\alpha_n x^n : n \in N\}$  instead of  $\langle \alpha_*, x^* \rangle$ . Since  $\langle \alpha_*, x^* \rangle$  depends

only on the values  $x^n, n \in \text{supp } \alpha_*$ , (see [1], 3.5, [2], 4.4, and [3], §2) we may also write  $\sum \{\alpha_n x^n : n \in \text{supp } \alpha_*\}$  instead of  $\langle \alpha_*, x^* \rangle$ . In particular we use  $\frac{1}{2}x' + \frac{1}{2}x''$  instead of  $\langle \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n'} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n'}, x^* \rangle$ , where  $x' := x^{n'}$  and  $x'' := x^{n''}$ .

A map  $f : X \rightarrow X'$  between two  $\Gamma$ -convex modules is said to be a *morphism* from  $X$  to  $X'$  if for all  $\alpha_* \in \Gamma$  and  $x^* \in (N, X)$

$$f(\langle \alpha_*, x^* \rangle) = \langle \alpha_*, f^N(x^*) \rangle$$

where  $f^N := (N, f)$  is the map induced by  $f$ . Hence we have the category  $\Gamma\text{-Cmod}$  of  $\Gamma$ -convex modules and their morphisms, with compositions the set-theoretical ones.  $\Gamma\text{-Cmod}$  is an algebraic category. In [1], [2], and [3] various identities for  $\Gamma$ -convex modules can be found.

Given any homomorphism  $\rho : C \rightarrow C'$  of semirings there is a functor  $\rho_*$ , called "restriction of scalars", from the category  $C'\text{-Smod}$  of  $C'$ -semimodules to the category  $C\text{-Smod}$ . Similarly if  $\Gamma$  is a finitary  $N$ -convexity theory over  $C$  and  $\Gamma'$  is a finitary  $N$ -convexity theory over  $C'$  such that for any  $\alpha_* \in \Gamma$  the map  $\rho^N(\alpha_*) = \rho^N \circ \alpha_*$  is in  $\Gamma'$ , then there is the functor  $\rho_* : \Gamma'\text{-Cmod} \rightarrow \Gamma\text{-Cmod}$  that assigns to each  $\Gamma'$ -convex module  $X'$  the  $\Gamma$ -convex module  $\rho_*(X')$  given by the composition  $\Gamma \times (N, X') \ni (\alpha_*, x'^*) \mapsto \langle \rho^N(\alpha_*), x'^* \rangle \in X'$ .

In section 2 we discuss the halving morphism  $h_a$  for any  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module  $X$ . If  $h_a$  is an automorphism of  $X$  then  $X$  becomes a  $D_0$ -semimodule  $(X, \dot{+})$ . For any  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module  $X$ ,  $h_a$  given rise to a congruence relation  $\sim$  on  $X \times \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim$  inherits the structure of a  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module such that the map  $X \ni x \mapsto (x, 0) / \sim \in X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim$  is a morphism  $j_X$ .

In section 3 we prove that  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -structure on  $X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim$  equals that of  $O_{D_0, N}(X \times \mathbb{N}_0, \dot{+})$  where  $O_{D_0, N}(M)$  for any  $D_0$ -semimodule  $M$  is the obvious  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -structure on  $M$ . This observation enters into the explicit construction of the left adjoint of the functor  $O_{D_0, N}$  from the category  $D_0\text{-Mod}$  of  $D_0$ -modules to the category  $Cv_{D_0, N}\text{-Cmod}$ . The corresponding universal arrow is

$$X \xrightarrow{j_X} O_{D_0, N}(X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim, \dot{+}) \rightarrow O_{D_0, N}(X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim, \dot{+})^2 \rightarrow O_{D_0, N}(X \times \mathbb{N}_0, \dot{+})^2 / \sim_B,$$

where the map in the middle sends each  $(x, n)$  to  $((a, 0), (x, n))$  and the map on the right is the quotient map with respect to the Bourne relation  $\sim_B$ .

The last section deals with a structure that is well known in universal algebra. It is called "commutative binary mode" (see [4], p. 91), and is a special case of an "alternation groupoid" (see e.g. [5]) and of a "espace medial surcommutative" (see [6]). We prefer to call a set equipped with this structure a "midpoint algebra". These midpoint algebras and their homomorphisms form a category **MP** and we show that **MP** is isomorphic with  $Cv_{D_0, N}\text{-Cmod}$ .

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## 2. The Halving Morphism

Let  $X$  be a  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module. For any  $a \in X$  let  $h_a : X \rightarrow X$  be the map given by  $h_a(x) := \frac{1}{2}a + \frac{1}{2}x, x \in X$ . Moreover, for any  $a^* \in (N, X)$  denote by  $h_{a^*}$  the map  $N \ni n \mapsto h_{a^n} \in \text{Set}(X, X)$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $X$  be a  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module. Then for any  $a \in X$  and  $A^* \in (N, X)$*

- (i)  $h_a^k(x) = \frac{2^k-1}{2^k} a + \frac{1}{2^k} x$  ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $x \in X$ ;
- (ii)  $h_a$  is a morphism  $X \rightarrow X$  of  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex modules;
- (iii)  $\langle \alpha_*, h_{a^*} \rangle = h_{\langle \alpha_*, a^* \rangle}$ .

**Proof.**

(i).  $k = 1$  is clear by definition. Suppose we have (i) for  $k$ . Choose  $x^* \in (N, X)$  such that  $x^{n_1} = a$  and  $x^n = x, n \in N \setminus \{n_1\}$ . Then  $\langle \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_1}, x^* \rangle = a$  and  $\langle \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^n, x^* \rangle = h_a(x), n \in N \setminus \{n_1\}$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} h_a^{k+1}(x) = h_a^k(h_a(x)) &= \langle \frac{2^k-1}{2^k}\delta_{\square}^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2^k}\delta_{\square}^{n_2}, \langle \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{\square}, x^* \rangle \rangle = \\ &= \ll \frac{2^k-1}{2^k}\delta_{\square}^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2^k}\delta_{\square}^{n_2}, \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{\square} \gg, x^* \rangle = \\ &= \langle \frac{2^{k+1}-1}{2^{k+1}}\delta_*^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}\delta_*^{n_2}, x^* \rangle = \\ &= \frac{2^{k+1}-1}{2^{k+1}}a + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}x. \end{aligned}$$

(ii). Let  $\alpha_* \in Cv_{C, n}$  and  $x^* \in (N, X)$ . Choose a bijection  $\varphi : N \rightarrow N \setminus \{n_1\}$  and let  $z^* \in (n, X)$  be such that  $z^{n_1} := a$  and  $z^{\varphi(n)} := x^n, n \in N$ . Let furthermore  $\beta_*^{n_1} := \delta_*^{n_1}$  and  $\beta_*^n := \delta_*^{\varphi(n)}$  for  $n \in N \setminus \{n_1, n_2\}$ , and define  $\beta_*^{n_2}$  by  $\beta_{n_1}^{n_2} := 0$  and  $\beta_{\varphi(m)}^{n_2} := \alpha_m, m \in N$ . Then  $\beta_*^{\square}$  is in  $(N, Cv_{C, N})$  and we have

$$\langle \beta_*^n, z^* \rangle = \begin{cases} a & , n = n_1, \\ \langle \alpha_*, x^* \rangle & , n = n_2, \\ x^n & , n \in N \setminus \{n_1, n_2\}. \end{cases}$$

Hence

$$h_a(\langle \alpha_*, x^* \rangle) = \langle \frac{1}{2}\delta_{\square}^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_{\square}^{n_2}, \langle \beta_*^{\square}, z^* \rangle \rangle = \ll \frac{1}{2}\delta_{\square}^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_{\square}^{n_2}, \beta_*^{\square} \gg, z^* \rangle .$$

Next let  $\gamma_*^n := \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{\varphi(n)} \in Cv_{C, N}$ . Then  $h_a(x^n) = \langle \delta_*^n, z^* \rangle, n \in N$ , and thus

$$\langle \alpha_*, h_a^N(x^*) \rangle = \langle \alpha_{\square}, \langle \gamma_*^{\square}, z^* \rangle \rangle = \ll \alpha_{\square}, \gamma_*^{\square} \gg, z^* \rangle .$$

But for any  $m \in N$ ,

$$\langle \frac{1}{2}\delta_{\square}^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_{\square}^{n_2}, \beta_m^{\square} \rangle = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & , \text{if } m = n_1 \\ \alpha_{m'} & , \text{if } m = \varphi(m') \end{cases}$$

and

$$\langle \alpha_{\square}, \gamma_m^{\square} \rangle = \sum \{ \alpha_n (\frac{1}{2}\gamma_m^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2}\gamma_m^{\varphi(n)}) : n \in N \} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & , \text{if } m = n_1 \\ \alpha_{m'} & , \text{if } m = \varphi(m'), \end{cases}$$

whence  $h_a(\langle \alpha_*, x^* \rangle) = \langle \alpha_*, h_a^N(x^*) \rangle$ . So  $h_a$  is a morphism.

(iii). This follows similarly to (ii) with these choices:  $\varphi : N \rightarrow N \setminus \{n_2\}$  a bijection;  $z^* \in (N, X)$  given by  $z^{n_2} := x$  and  $x^{\varphi(n)} := a^n, n \in N; \beta_*^n := \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{\varphi(n)} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_2}, n \in N; \gamma_*^n := \delta_*^n, n \in N \setminus \{n_1\}$ , and  $\gamma_{n_2}^{n_1} = 0$  and  $\gamma_m^{n_1} = a_{m'}, m = \varphi(m')$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 2.2.** *Let  $X$  be any  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module and let  $a \in X$  be such that  $h_a$  is a bijection. Define the binary composition  $\dot{+} : X \times X \rightarrow X$  by  $h_a(x \dot{+} x') := \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}x'$ . Then  $(X, \dot{+})$  is a commutative monoid (with neutral element  $a$ ) that is uniquely divisible by 2 and hence is a  $D_0$ -semimodule. Moreover for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $x_1, \dots, x_2 \in X$*

$$h_a^*(x_1 \dot{+} \dots \dot{+} x_{2^k}) = \frac{1}{2^k}x_1 + \dots + \frac{1}{2^k}x_{2^k}.$$

**Proof.**

- (0).  $h_a(a \dot{+} x) = \frac{1}{2}a + \frac{1}{2}x = h_a(x)$  and thus  $a \dot{+} x = x$ .
- (i).  $h_a(x \dot{+} x') = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}x' = \frac{1}{2}x' + \frac{1}{2}x = h_a(x' \dot{+} x)$  and thus  $x \dot{+} x' = x' \dot{+} x$ .
- (ii). Due to (2.1) and [1], 3.6, resp. [2], 4.5,

$$\begin{aligned} h_a^2((x \dot{+} x') \dot{+} x'') &= h_a\left(\frac{1}{2}(x \dot{+} x') + \frac{1}{2}x''\right) = \frac{1}{2}h_a(x \dot{+} x') + \frac{1}{2}h_a(x'') = \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}x'\right) + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}a + \frac{1}{2}x''\right) = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}a + \frac{1}{2}x\right) + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}x' + \frac{1}{2}x''\right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{2}h_a(x) + \frac{1}{2}h_a(x' \dot{+} x'') = h_a\left(\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}(x' \dot{+} x'')\right) = h_a^2(x \dot{+} (x' \dot{+} x'')). \end{aligned}$$

(iii).  $h_a(x \dot{+} x) = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}x = x$ . So each  $x \in X$  is uniquely divisible by 2.

The final formula follows by an obvious induction argument.  $\square$

Let  $X$  be any  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module. On  $X \times \mathbb{N}_0$  define the relation “ $\sim$ ” by “ $(x, n) \sim (x', n')$ ” if and only if “there is a  $p \in \mathbb{N}_0$  with  $h_a^{n'+p}(x) = h_a^{n+p}(x')$ ”.

**Lemma 2.3.** *The relation  $\sim$  on  $X \times \mathbb{N}_0$  is an equivalence relation.*

**Proof.** Straight forward.  $\square$

Given the  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module  $X$  we define the composition  $\langle \quad, \quad \rangle. Cv_{C, N} \times (N, X \times \mathbb{N}_0) \rightarrow X \times \mathbb{N}_0$  as follows. Let  $(x, m)^* \in (N, X \times \mathbb{N}_0)$  and denote by  $x^* \in (N, X)$  resp.  $m^* \in (N, \mathbb{N}_0)$  the composite of  $(x, m)^*$  with the appropriate projection of  $X \times \mathbb{N}_0$  to its factors. Let furthermore  $\alpha_* \in Cv_{C, N}$ , put  $s := s_{\alpha_*, m^*} := \sum\{m^n : n \in \text{supp } \alpha_*\}$  and  $s^n := s - m^n, n \in \text{supp } \alpha_*$ , resp.  $s^n = 0, n \notin \text{supp } \alpha_*$ . Denote by  $h_a^{\alpha_*, m^*}(x^*)$  the map  $N \ni n \mapsto h_a^{s^n}(x^n) \in X$  and let

$$\langle \alpha_*, (x, m)^* \rangle := (\langle \alpha_*, h_a^{\alpha_*, m^*}(x^*) \rangle, s_{\alpha_*, m^*}).$$

**Lemma 2.4.** *Let  $\alpha_* \in Cv_{C, N}$  and  $\beta_*^\square \in (N, Cv_{C, N})$ . The for any  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module  $X$  and any  $(x, m)^* \in (N, X \times \mathbb{N}_0)$*

- (i)  $\langle \delta_*^n, (x, m)^* \rangle = (x^n, m^n), \quad n \in N,$
- (ii)  $\langle \alpha_\square, \langle \beta_*^\square, (x, m)^* \rangle \rangle \sim \ll \alpha_\square, \beta_*^\square \rangle, (x, m)^* \rangle.$

**Proof.**

- (i). This is an immediate consequence of the definitions involved.
- (ii). Put

$$s^q := \sum \{m^n : n \in \text{supp } \beta_*^q\} \quad \text{and} \quad s := \sum \{s^q : q \in \text{supp } \alpha_*\}.$$

Then for any  $q \in N$

$$\langle \beta_*^q, (x, m)^* \rangle = \langle \beta_*^q, h_a^{\beta_*^q, m^*}(x^*) \rangle, s^q \rangle$$

and by (2.1), (ii),

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \alpha_\square, \langle \beta_*^\square, (x, m)^* \rangle \rangle &= \langle \alpha_\square, h_a^{\alpha_*, s^*}(\langle \beta_*^\square, h_a^{\beta_*^\square, m^*}(x^*) \rangle) \rangle, s \rangle = \\ &= \langle \alpha_\square, \langle \beta_*^\square, h_a^{\alpha_*, s^*}(h_a^{\beta_*^\square, m^*}(x^*)) \rangle \rangle, s \rangle = \\ &= \langle \langle \alpha_\square, \beta_*^\square \rangle, h_a^{\alpha_*, s^*}(h_a^{\beta_*^\square, m^*}(x^*)) \rangle, s \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, when putting  $\bar{s} := \sum \{m^n : n \in \text{supp } \langle \alpha_\square, \beta_*^\square \rangle\}$ ,

$$\langle \langle \alpha_\square, \beta_*^\square \rangle, (x, m)^* \rangle = \langle \langle \alpha_\square, \beta_*^\square \rangle, h_a^{\langle \alpha_\square, \beta_*^\square \rangle, m^*}(x^*) \rangle, \bar{s} \rangle.$$

Since  $\text{supp } \langle \alpha_\square, \beta_*^\square \rangle = \cup \{\text{supp } \beta_*^q : q \in \text{supp } \alpha_*\}$  we have  $n \in \text{supp } \langle \alpha_\square, \beta_*^\square \rangle$  if and only if there is a  $q \in \text{supp } \alpha_*$  with  $n \in \text{supp } \beta_*^q$ . For such an  $n$  the value of  $h_a^{\alpha_*, s^*}(h_a^{\beta_*^\square, m^*}(x^*))$  at  $n$  equals  $h_a^{s-s^q}(h_a^{s^q-m^n}(x^n)) = h_a^{s-m^n}(x^n)$ , while the value of  $h_a^{\langle \alpha_\square, \beta_*^\square \rangle, m^*}(x^*)$  equals  $h_a^{\bar{s}-m^n}(x^n)$ . Hence (2.1), (ii), implies our assertion (ii).  $\square$

**Lemma 2.5.** *Let  $\alpha_* \in Cv_{C, N}$  and let  $X$  be any  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module. If  $(x, m)^* \in (N, X \times \mathbb{N}_0)$  and  $(\bar{x}, \bar{m})^* \in (N, X \times \mathbb{N}_0)$  satisfy  $(x, m)^* \sim (\bar{x}, \bar{m})^*$ , which by definition means  $(x^n, m^n) \sim (\bar{x}^n, \bar{m}^n)$  for all  $n \in N$ , then  $\langle \alpha_*, (x, m)^* \rangle \sim \langle \alpha_*, (\bar{x}, \bar{m})^* \rangle$ .*

**Proof.** Since  $\text{supp } \alpha_*$  is finite there is a  $p \in \mathbb{N}_0$  with  $h_a^{\bar{m}^n+p}(x^n) = h_a^{m^n+p}(\bar{x}^n)$  for all  $n \in \text{supp } \alpha_*$ . Put  $s := \sum \{m^n : n \in \text{supp } \alpha_*\}$  and  $\bar{s} := \sum \{\bar{m}^n : n \in \text{supp } \alpha_*\}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} h_a^{p+\bar{s}}(h_a^{s-m^n}(x^n)) &= h_a^{p+\bar{s}+s-m^n}(x^n) = h_a^{p+\bar{m}^n+\bar{s}-\bar{m}^n+s-m^n}(x^n) = \\ &= h_a^{p+m^n+\bar{s}-\bar{m}^n+s-m^n}(\bar{x}^n) = h_a^{p+s+\bar{s}-\bar{m}^n}(\bar{x}^n) = h_a^{p+s}(h_a^{\bar{s}-\bar{m}^n}(\bar{x}^n)). \end{aligned}$$

Due to (2.1), (ii), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} h_a^{p+\bar{s}}(\langle \alpha_*, h_a^{\alpha_*, m^*}(x^*) \rangle) &= \langle \alpha_*, h_a^{p+\bar{s}}(h_a^{\alpha_*, m^*}(x^*)) \rangle = \\ &= \langle \alpha_*, h_a^{p+s}(h_a^{\alpha_*, \bar{m}^*}(\bar{x}^*)) \rangle = h_a^{p+s}(\langle \alpha_*, h_a^{\alpha_*, \bar{m}^*}(\bar{x}^*) \rangle) \end{aligned}$$

and our claim follows.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.6.** *There is a unique composition  $\langle \quad, \quad \rangle : Cv_{C, N} \times (N, X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim) \longrightarrow X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim$  that makes  $X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim$  a  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module and satisfies*

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\langle \alpha_*, (x, m)^* \rangle) &= \langle \alpha_*, \pi^N((x, m)^*) \rangle \\ &, \text{ for all } \alpha_* \in Dv_{C, N}, (x, m)^* \in (N, X \times \mathbb{N}_0), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\pi$  is the quotient map  $X \times \mathbb{N}_0 \longrightarrow X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim$ .

**Proof.** (2.4) and (2.5). □

Denote the map  $X \ni x \mapsto \pi(x, 0) \in X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim$  by  $j_X$ .

**Proposition 2.7.** *For any  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module  $X$  the map  $j_X : X \longrightarrow X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim$  is a morphism of  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex modules.*

**Proof.** Let  $\alpha_* \in Cv_{C, N}$  and  $x^* \in (N, X)$ . Denote by  $(x, 0)^*$  the map  $N \ni n \mapsto (x^n, 0) \in X \times \mathbb{N}_0$ . Then by (2.6)

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \alpha_*, j_X^N(x^*) \rangle &= \langle \alpha_*, \pi^N((x, 0)^*) \rangle = \pi(\langle \alpha_*, (x, 0)^* \rangle) \\ &= \pi(\langle \alpha_*, x^* \rangle, 0) = j_X(\langle \alpha_*, x^* \rangle). \end{aligned}$$

□

In the setting of (2.7) we denote, for any  $a \in X$ , the map  $h_{j_X(a)} : X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim \longrightarrow X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim$  by  $H_a$ . With this notation we have

**Corollary 2.8.** *For any  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module  $X$  and any  $a \in X$  the diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{h_a} & x \\ j_X \downarrow & & \downarrow j_X \\ X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim & \xrightarrow{H_a} & X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim \end{array}$$

*commutes.*

**Proof.** Since  $j_X$  is a morphism by (2.7) we obtain

$$j_X \circ h_a(x) = j_X(\frac{1}{2}a + \frac{1}{2}x) = \frac{1}{2}j_X(a) + \frac{1}{2}j_X(x) = H_a \circ j_X(x). \quad \square$$

**Proposition 2.9.** *For any  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module  $X$  and any  $a \in X$ ,  $H_a$  is a bijection. In particular,  $H_a(\pi(x, n)) = \pi(x, n - 1)$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $x \in X$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then by (2.6)

$$\begin{aligned} H_a(\pi(x, n)) &= \frac{1}{2}\pi(a, 0) + \frac{1}{2}\pi(x, n) = \pi(\frac{1}{2}(a, 0) + \frac{1}{2}(x, n)) = \\ &= \pi(\frac{1}{2}h_a^n(a) + \frac{1}{2}(x, n)) = \pi(\frac{1}{2}a + \frac{1}{2}x, n) = \pi(h_a(x), n) = \pi(x, n - 1). \end{aligned}$$

This formula proves that  $H_a$  is a surjection. Next let  $H_a(\pi(x, n)) = H_a(\pi(\bar{x}, \bar{n}))$ . Then the preceding formulae show that  $H_a(\pi(x, n)) = \pi(h_a(x), n)$ ,  $x \in X$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , whence we have  $\pi(h_a(x), n) = \pi(h_a(\bar{x}), \bar{n})$  that is  $h_a^{\bar{n}+p}(h_a(x)) = h_a^{\bar{n}+p}(h_a(\bar{x}))$  for some  $p \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Thus  $h_a^{\bar{n}+p+1}(x) = h_a^{\bar{n}+p+1}(\bar{x})$  or  $\pi(x, n) = \pi(\bar{x}, \bar{n})$ . So  $H_a$  is also an injection and therefore a bijection. □

Due to (2.2) and (2.9),  $(X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim, \dot{+})$  is a  $D_0$ -semimodule. This  $D_0$ -semimodule is cancellable under certain hypotheses involving  $X$ . They are stated in Proposition 2.11.

**Definition 2.10.** Let  $X$  be any  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module. Then  $X$  is called

- (i) *cancellable* at  $a$  if for all  $x', x'' \in X$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}a + \frac{1}{2}x' = \frac{1}{2}a + \frac{1}{2}x''$  implies  $x' = x''$ ;
- (ii) *weakly cancellable* at  $a$  if for all  $x, x', x'' \in X$  and  $n, n', n'', p \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}h_a^{n+n'+n''+p}(x) + \frac{1}{2}h_a^{2n+n''+p}(x') = \frac{1}{2}h_a^{n+n'+n''+p}(x) + \frac{1}{2}h_a^{2n+n'+p}(x'')$  implies  $h_a^{n''+q}(x') = h_a^{n''+q}(x'')$  for some  $q \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .

$X$  is said to be *cancellable* if it is cancellable at any  $a \in X$ . □

Obviously cancellability at  $a$  of  $X$  implies weak cancellability at  $a$  of  $X$ .

**Proposition 2.11.** *Let  $X$  be any  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module. Then*

- (i) *the  $D_0$ -semimodule  $(X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim, +)$  is cancellable if and only if  $X$  is weakly cancellable at  $a$ ;*
- (ii)  *$X$  is cancellable at  $a$  if and only if  $j_X; X \rightarrow X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim$  is an injection.*

**Proof.** (i).  $\pi(x, n) + \pi(x', n') = \pi(x, n) + \pi(x'', n'')$  is equivalent with  $H_a(\pi(x, n) + \pi(x', n')) = H_a(\pi(x, n) + \pi(x'', n''))$  due to (2.9). Since

$$H_a(\pi(x, n) + \pi(x', n')) = \pi\left(\frac{1}{2}h_a^{n'}(x) + \frac{1}{2}h_a^n(x'), n + n'\right)$$

due to (2.6), the initial equation is equivalent with

$$h_a^{n+n'+p}\left(\frac{1}{2}h_a^{n'}(x) + \frac{1}{2}h_a^n(x')\right) = h_a^{n+n'+p}\left(\frac{1}{2}h_a^{n''}(x) + \frac{1}{2}h_a^n(x'')\right),$$

for some  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ , which by (2.1), (ii), is the same as

$$(*) \quad \frac{1}{2}h_a^{n+n'+n''+p}(x) + \frac{1}{2}h_a^{2n+n''+p'}(x') = \frac{1}{2}h_a^{n+n'+n''+p}(x) + \frac{1}{2}h_a^{2n+n'+p}(x'').$$

Hence weak cancellability leads to  $h_a^{n''+q}(x') = h_a^{n''+q}(x'')$  for some  $q \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and thus to  $(x', n') \sim (x'', n'')$  or  $\pi(x', n') = \pi(x'', n'')$ . Conversely, cancellability of the  $D_0$ -semimodule  $X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim$  means that (\*) implies  $\pi(x', n') = \pi(x'', n'')$  and thus  $h_a^{n''+q}(x') = h_a^{n''+q}(x'')$  for some  $q \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Hence  $X$  is weakly cancellable.

(ii).  $j_X(x') = j_X(x'')$  is equivalent with  $(x', 0) \sim (x'', 0)$  and hence with  $h_a^p(x') = h_a^p(x'')$  for some  $p \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Since  $h_a^p(x') = \frac{1}{2}a + \frac{1}{2}h_a^{p-1}(x')$ , cancellability at  $a$  of  $X$  implies  $h_a^{p-1}(x') = h_a^{p-1}(x'')$  and thus  $x' = x''$  by induction, which means that  $j_X$  is an injection. Conversely if  $j_X$  is an injection and  $\frac{1}{2}a + \frac{1}{2}x' = \frac{1}{2}a + \frac{1}{2}x''$  then we have  $h_a(x') = h_a(x'')$ , that is  $(x', 0) \sim (x'', 0)$  and thus  $j_X(x') = j_X(x'')$ , which leads to  $x' = x''$  and therefore to the cancellability at  $a$  of  $X$ . □

### 3. The Functor $O_{D_0, N} : D_0\text{-Mod} \rightarrow Cv_{D_0, N}\text{-Cmod}$

Let  $M$  be a  $C$ -semimodule. For  $\alpha_* \in Cv_{C, N}$  and  $m^* \in (N, M)$  let

$$\langle \alpha_*, m^* \rangle := \sum \{ \alpha_n m^n : n \in \text{supp } \alpha_* \}.$$

Note that in the finite sum on the right side  $\text{supp } \alpha_*$  can be replaced by any finite set containing  $\text{supp } \alpha_*$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $M$  be any  $C$ -semimodule. Then  $Cv_{C, N} \times (N, M) \ni (\alpha_*, m^*) \mapsto \langle \alpha_*, m^* \rangle \in M$  makes  $M$  a  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module  $O_{C, N}(M)$ .*

**Proof.** Straight forward. □

Obviously the assignment to  $M$  of  $O_{C, N}(M)$  and to  $C$ -homomorphisms  $f : M \rightarrow M'$  of  $O_{C, N}(f) := f$  is a functor  $O_{C, N} : C\text{-Smod} \rightarrow Cv_{C, N}\text{-Cmod}$ . Its restriction to the full subcategory  $C\text{-Mod}$  of  $C\text{-Smod}$  generated by the class of all  $C$ -modules is also denoted by  $O_{C, N}$ . Note that  $C\text{-Mod}$  is a reflective subcategory of  $C\text{-Smod}$  and that the reflector  $R_C$  assigns to each  $C$ -semimodule  $M$  the  $C$ -module  $M^2/\sim$ , where  $\sim$  is the Bourne relation, the  $C$ -semimodule congruence relation, " $(m, m') \sim_B (\bar{m}, \bar{m}')$ " if and only if "there is an  $m_0 \in M$  with  $m_0 + m + \bar{m}' = m_0 + \bar{m} + m'$ ". The reflection  $r_C$  assigns to each  $M$  the composition of  $M \ni m \mapsto (0, m) \in M^2$  with the quotient map  $M^2 \rightarrow M^2/\sim_B$ .

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $X$  be any  $Cv_{C, N}$ -convex module and let  $a \in X$  be such that  $h_a$  is a bijection. Then  $O_{D, N}((X, \dot{+})) = \rho_*(X)$ .*

**Proof.** In this proof we shall denote the operation of  $r \in D_0$  on the element  $x$  of the  $D_0$ -semimodule  $(X, \dot{+})$  by  $\dot{r}x$ . From the formula in (2.2) we obtain for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}, x_1, \dots, x_p \in X$ , and  $n_1, \dots, n_p \in \mathbb{N}_0$  with  $n_1 + \dots + n_p = 2^k$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\dot{n}_1}{2^k}x_1 \dot{+} \dots \dot{+} \frac{\dot{n}_p}{2^k}x_p &= \frac{\dot{1}}{2^k}(\dot{n}_1x_1 \dot{+} \dots \dot{+} \dot{n}_px_p) = h_a^k(\dot{n}_1x_1 \dot{+} \dots \dot{+} \dot{n}_px_p) = \\ &= \frac{n_1}{2^k}x_1 + \dots + \frac{n_p}{2^k}x_p = \rho\left(\frac{n_1}{2^k}\right)x_1 + \dots + \rho\left(\frac{n_p}{2^k}\right)x_p, \end{aligned}$$

where the last sum is actually the composition in the  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex module  $\rho_*(X)$ . □

**Lemma 3.3.** *Let  $M$  be any  $C$ -semimodule and let  $a \in M$  be such that  $h_a : M \rightarrow M$  is a bijection. Then  $(O_{C, N}(M), \dot{+}) = \rho_*(M)$ .*

**Proof.** See proof of (3.2). □

**Theorem 3.4.** *The functor  $O_{D_0, N} : D_0\text{-Mod} \rightarrow Cv_{D_0, N}\text{-Cmod}$  has a left adjoint.*

**Proof.** Although the existence of a left adjoint of  $O_{D_0, N}$ , and indeed of  $O_{C, N} : C\text{-Mod} \rightarrow Cv_{C, N}\text{-Cmod}$ , can be obtained from general principles we wish to present an explicit construction of a left adjoint of  $O_{D_0, N}$  based on the halving morphism. Let  $X$  be a  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex module,  $M$  a  $D_0$ -module, and  $f : X \rightarrow O_{D_0, N}(M)$  a morphism of  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex modules. Choose  $a \in X$  and put  $m_0 := f(a)$ . Define  $\bar{f} : X \times \mathbb{N}_0/\sim \rightarrow M$  by

$$\bar{f}(\pi(x, n)) := h_{m_0}^{-n}(f(x)) - m_0.$$

We claim that this definition makes sense. Firstly, since  $M$  is a  $D_0$ -module  $h_{m_0}$  is a bijection and indeed  $h_{m_0}^{-1}(m) = 2m - m_0, m \in M$ . Secondly, if  $\pi(x, n) = \pi(x', n')$  then  $h_a^{n'+p}(x) = h_a^{n+p}(x')$  for some  $p \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Due to (2.1), (ii), we have

$$f(h_a(x)) = f\left(\frac{1}{2}a + \frac{1}{2}x\right) = \frac{1}{2}f(a) + \frac{1}{2}f(x) = h_{m_0}(f(x)).$$

Hence

$$h_{m_0}^{n'+p}(f(x)) = f(h_a^{n'+p}(x)) = f(h_a^{n+p}(x')) = h_{m_0}^{n+p}(f(x))$$



and thus  $h_{m_0}^{-n}(f(x)) = h_{m_0}^{-n'}(f(x'))$ . Therefore  $\bar{f}(\pi(x, n)) = \bar{f}(\pi(x', n'))$ . Next we show that  $\bar{f}$  is a homomorphism of  $D_0$ -semimodules. Using (2.1), (ii), and the formula in (2.9) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{f}(\pi(x, n) \dot{+} \pi(x', n')) &= \bar{f}(H_a^{-1} \circ H_a(\pi(x, n) \dot{+} \pi(x', n'))) = \\ &= \bar{f}(H_a^{-1}(\pi(\frac{1}{2}h_a^{n'}(x) + \frac{1}{2}h_a^n(x), n + n'))) = \\ &= \bar{f}(\pi(\frac{1}{2}h_a^{n'}(x) + \frac{1}{2}h_a^n(x'), n + n' + 1)) = \\ &= h_{m_0}^{-n-n'-1}(f(\frac{1}{2}h_a^{n'}(x) + \frac{1}{2}h_a^n(x'))) - m_0 = \\ &= h_{m_0}^{-n-n'-1}(\frac{1}{2}f(h_a^{n'}(x)) + \frac{1}{2}f(h_a^n(x'))) - m_0 = \\ &= h_{m_0}^{-n-n'-1}(\frac{1}{2}h_{m_0}^{n'}(f(x)) + \frac{1}{2}h_{m_0}^n(f(x'))) - m_0 = \\ &= h_{m_0}^{-1}(\frac{1}{2}h_{m_0}^{-n}(f(x)) + \frac{1}{2}h_{m_0}^{-n'}(f(x'))) - m_0 = \\ &= h_{m_0}^{-1}(\frac{1}{2}\bar{f}(\pi(x, n)) + \frac{1}{2}\bar{f}(\pi(x', n')) + m_0) - m_0 = \\ &= \bar{f}(\pi(x, n)) + \bar{f}(\pi(x', n')) + 2m_0 - m_0 - m_0 = \\ &= \bar{f}(\pi(x, n)) + \bar{f}(\pi(x', n')). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, from the proof of (2.9),

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{f}(H_a(\pi(x, n)) = \bar{f}(\pi(h_a(x), n)) &= h_{m_0}^{-n}f(h_a(x)) - m_0 = \\ &= h_{m_0}(h_{m_0}^{-n}(f(x))) - m_0 = \frac{1}{2}h_{m_0}^{-n}(f(x)) - \frac{1}{2}m_0 = \frac{1}{2}\bar{f}(\pi(x, n)). \end{aligned}$$

Put  $\bar{g}(\pi(x, n)) := \bar{f}(\pi(x, n)) + m_0$ . Since  $\bar{f}$  is a morphism  $O_{D_0, N}(X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim, \dot{+}) \rightarrow O_{D_0, N}(M)$  of  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex modules, denoted by  $O_{D_0, N}(\bar{f})$ ,  $\bar{g}$  is also a morphism  $O_{D_0, N}(X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim, \dot{+}) \rightarrow O_{D_0, N}(M)$  of  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex modules. In addition it satisfies  $f = \bar{g} \circ j_X$ . Denote the reflection  $(X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim, \dot{+}) \rightarrow (X \times \mathbb{N}_0(\sim, \dot{+})^2 / \sim_B$  by  $r'_X$ . Then

there is a unique homomorphism  $f' : (X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim, \dot{+})^2 / \sim_B \rightarrow M$  of  $D_0$ -modules with

$\bar{f} = f' \circ r'_X$ . Put  $r'_X \circ j_X(a, 0) =: a'$  and let  $g' := f' + c_{m_0}$ , where  $c_{m_0}$  stands for the constant map with value  $m_0$  and some appropriate domain. Clearly  $g'$  is a morphism of  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex modules from  $O_{D_0, N}((X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim, \dot{+})^2 / \sim_B) \rightarrow O_{D_0, N}(M)$  and we obtain

(on the set-level)

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \bar{g} \circ j_X = (\bar{f} + c_{m_0}) \circ j_X = (f' \circ r'_X + c_{m_0}) \circ j_X = f' \circ r'_X \circ j_X + c_{m_0} = \\ &= (g' - c_{m_0}) \circ r'_X \circ j_X + m_0 = g' \circ r'_X \circ j_X. \end{aligned}$$

$\eta_X := r'_X \circ j_X$  is a morphism of  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex modules from  $X$  to  $O_{D_0, N}((X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim, \dot{+})^2 / \sim_B)$ . We claim that  $\eta_X$  is a universal arrow. Already we have the factorization

of  $f$  through  $\eta_X$  as  $f'$ , being a homomorphism of  $D_0$ -semimodules, is also a morphism  $O_{D_0, N}(f')$  between the associated  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex modules. In order to prove uniqueness of

the factorization it suffices to prove the uniqueness of  $\bar{g}$  in terms of  $f$ . So let  $\bar{h}: O_{D_0, N}((X \times \mathbb{N}_0 / \sim, \dot{+})) \rightarrow O_{D_0, N}(M)$  be a morphism with  $f = \bar{h} \circ j_X$ . Then  $\bar{h}(\pi(x, 0)) = f(x)$ ,  $x \in X$ , whence  $\bar{h}$  is uniquely determined by  $f$  on  $\{\pi(x, 0) : x \in X\}$ . Let  $n \in N$  and let  $x \in X$ . Since  $\pi(x, n) \dot{+} \pi(a, 0) = \pi(x, n)$  and  $H_a(\pi(x, n)) = \pi(x, n - 1)$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{h}(\pi(x, n - 1)) &= \bar{h}(H_a(\pi(x, n))) = \bar{h}(H_a(\pi(x, n) \dot{+} \pi(a, 0))) = \\ &= \bar{h}(H_a(\pi(x, n)) \dot{+} H_a(\pi(a, 0))) = \frac{1}{2} \bar{h}(\pi(x, n)) + \frac{1}{2} \bar{h}(\pi(a, 0)) = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \bar{h}(\pi(x, n)) + \frac{1}{2} m_0 \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\bar{h}(\pi(x, n)) = 2\bar{h}(\pi(x, n - 1)) - m_0 = h_{m_0}^{-1}(\bar{h}(\pi(x, n - 1))).$$

Hence an obvious induction argument shows that  $\bar{h}$  is unique in terms of  $f$ , that is  $\bar{h} = \bar{g}$ . From  $\bar{g}$  we recover uniquely  $\bar{f}$  as  $\bar{f} = \bar{g} - c_{m_0}$ , and the first part of the proof shows that  $\bar{f}$  is a homomorphism. Thus  $g'$  is uniquely determined by  $f$ .  $\square$

**Definition 3.5.** Let  $X$  be any  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex module. Then  $X$  is said to be *imbeddable* in a  $D_0$ -module (resp.  $D_0$ -semimodule) if and only if there is a  $D_0$ -module (resp.  $D_0$ -semimodule)  $M$  and an injective morphism  $X \rightarrow O_{D_0, N}(M)$  of  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex modules.

**Proposition 3.6.** *Let  $X$  be any  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex module. Then  $X$  is imbeddable in a  $D_0$ -module if and only if  $X$  is cancellable.*

**Proof.**  $X$  is imbeddable in a  $D_0$ -module if and only if  $\eta_X$  is an injection. Let  $x, x' \in X$ . Then  $\eta_X(x) = \eta_X(x')$  means that  $(0, \pi(x, 0)) \sim (0, \pi(x', 0))$ , that is that  $\pi(y, n) \dot{+} \pi(x, 0) =$

$\pi(y, n) \dot{+} \pi(x', 0)$  for some  $(y, n) \in X \times \mathbb{N}_0$ . The latter is equivalent with  $H_a(\pi(y, n) \dot{+} \pi(x, 0)) = H_a(\pi(y, n) \dot{+} \pi(x', 0))$  and hence with  $\pi(\frac{1}{2}y + \frac{1}{2}h_a^n(x), n) = \pi(\frac{1}{2}y + \frac{1}{2}h_a^n(x'), n)$  and thus with  $h_a^{n+p}(\frac{1}{2}y + \frac{1}{2}h_a^n(x)) = h_a^{n+p}(\frac{1}{2}y + \frac{1}{2}h_a^n(x'))$  for some  $p \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . By (2.1), (ii), the last equality is the same as

$$(*) \quad \frac{1}{2} h_a^{n+p}(y) + \frac{1}{2} h_a^{2n+p}(x) = \frac{1}{2} h_a^{n+p}(y) = \frac{1}{2} h_a^{2n+p}(x').$$

So if  $X$  is cancellable and  $(*)$  holds then  $h_a^{2n+p}(x) = h_a^{2n+p}(x')$  and therefore  $x = x'$ , which means that  $\eta_X$  is an injection and consequently  $X$  is imbeddable in some  $D_0$ -module. Conversely if  $X$  is imbeddable in some  $D_0$ -module and we have  $\frac{1}{2}y + \frac{1}{2}x = \frac{1}{2}y + \frac{1}{2}x'$  then  $(*)$  is satisfied for  $n = p = 0$ , whence we obtain  $\eta_X(x) = \eta_X(x')$  and therefore  $x = x'$ , which means cancellability.  $\square$

Note that (2.11), (ii), furnishes a sufficient condition for imbeddability of a  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex module in a  $D_0$ -semimodule.

#### 4. MP and the Category of $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex Modules

**Definition 4.1.** A *midpoint algebra* with underlying set  $X$  is this set together with a single binary composition  $X \times X \ni (x, y) \mapsto xy \in X$  satisfying

$$(i) \quad x^2 = x \quad , \text{ for all } x \in X,$$

- (ii)  $xy = yx$  , for all  $x, y \in X$ ,
- (ii)  $(xy)(uv) = (xu)(yv)$  , for all  $x, y, y, v \in X$ .

A morphism  $f : X \rightarrow X'$  of midpoint algebras is a map  $f$  from  $X$  to  $X'$  that takes products to products.

The category of midpoint algebras and their morphisms, composition being the set-theoretical one, is denoted by **MP**.

Let  $X$  be a midpoint algebra and let  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$ , where  $n = 2^k$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Define inductively

$$(x) := x \qquad (x_1 \dots x_n) := (x_1 \dots x_{\frac{n}{2}})(x_{\frac{n}{2}+1} \dots x_n).$$

**Lemma 4.2.** *Let  $n = 2^k, k \in \mathbb{N}$ , and let  $\pi$  be a permutation of  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ . Let furthermore  $X$  be a midpoint algebra and  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$ . Then*

$$(x_1 \dots x_n) = (x_{\pi(1)} \dots x_{\pi(n)}).$$

**Proof.** By definition this is valid for  $k = 1$ . Suppose that statement is valid for  $k$ . Let  $m := 2^{k+1}$  and let  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$ . Suppose that  $\tau$  is the transposition of  $\{1, \dots, m\}$  that interchanges  $p$  and  $q$ . We wish to prove the formula in (4.2) for  $\tau$  rather than  $\pi$ . We may assume  $p < q$ . If  $q \leq \frac{m}{2}$  or  $\frac{m}{2} + 1 \leq p$  then the formula is valid by induction hypothesis. So let  $p \leq \frac{m}{2}$  and  $\frac{m}{2} + 1 \leq q$ . Denote  $(x_1, \dots, x_{p-1}, x_{p+1}, \dots, x_{\frac{m}{2}})$  by  $(y_1, \dots, y_{\frac{m}{2}-1})$  and  $(x_{\frac{m}{2}+1}, \dots, x_{q-1}, x_{q+1}, \dots, x_m)$  by  $(z_1, \dots, z_{\frac{m}{2}-1})$ . By induction hypothesis

$$(x_1 \dots x_{\frac{m}{2}}) = (x_p y_1 \dots y_{\frac{m}{2}-1}) \quad \text{and} \quad (x_{\frac{m}{2}+1} \dots x_m) = (x_q z_1 \dots z_{\frac{m}{2}-1}).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1 \dots x_m) &= (x_p y_1 \dots y_{\frac{m}{2}-1})(x_q z_1 \dots z_{\frac{m}{2}-1}) = \\ &= ((x_p y_1 \dots y_{\frac{m}{4}-1})(y_{\frac{m}{4}} \dots y_{\frac{m}{2}-1}))((x_q z_1 \dots z_{\frac{m}{4}-1})(z_{\frac{m}{4}} \dots z_{\frac{m}{2}-1})) = \\ &= ((x_p y_1 \dots y_{\frac{m}{4}-1})(x_q z_1 \dots z_{\frac{m}{4}-1}))((y_{\frac{m}{4}} \dots y_{\frac{m}{2}-1})(z_{\frac{m}{4}} \dots z_{\frac{m}{2}-1})) = \\ &= ((x_q y_1 \dots y_{\frac{m}{4}-1})(x_p z_1 \dots z_{\frac{m}{4}-1}))((y_{\frac{m}{4}} \dots y_{\frac{m}{2}-1})(z_{\frac{m}{4}} \dots z_{\frac{m}{2}-1})) = \\ &= ((x_p y_1 \dots y_{\frac{m}{4}-1})(y_{\frac{m}{4}} \dots y_{\frac{m}{2}-1}))((x_p z_1 \dots z_{\frac{m}{4}-1})(z_{\frac{m}{4}} \dots z_{\frac{m}{2}-1})) = \\ &= (x_1 \dots x_{p-1} x_q x_{p+1} \dots x_{\frac{m}{2}})(x_{\frac{m}{2}+1} \dots x_{q-1} x_p x_{q+1} \dots x_m) = \\ &= (x_{\tau(1)} \dots x_{\tau(\frac{m}{2})} \dots x_{\tau(m)}). \end{aligned}$$

Since every permutation is a composition of transpositions the general formula follows.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.3.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow X'$  be a morphism of midpoint algebras and let  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$ , with  $n = 2^k$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then*

$$f(x_1 \dots x_n) = (f(x_1) \dots f(x_n)).$$

**Proof.** By obvious induction.  $\square$

Let  $\alpha_* \in Cv_{D_0, N}$ . Since  $\alpha_*$  has finite support there is an  $\ell \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $a_n \in \mathbb{N}_0, n \in N$  with

**4.4.**  $\alpha_n = \frac{a_n}{2^\ell}, n \in N.$

Obviously we have  $\sum a_n = 2^\ell$ . Suppose we are also given  $x^* \in (N, X)$ . Put  $\text{supp } \alpha_* = \{k_1, \dots, k_q\}$  and form

$$\langle a_{k_1} x^{k_1} \rangle \cdots \langle a_{k_q} x^{k_q} \rangle := \underbrace{(x^{k_1} \cdots x^{k_1})}_{a_{k_1}\text{-times}} \cdots \underbrace{(x^{k_q} \cdots x^{k_q})}_{a_{k_q}\text{-times}}.$$

**Lemma 4.5.** *Let  $\alpha_* \in Cv_{D_0, N}$ , let  $X$  be midpoint algebra and  $x^* \in (N, X)$ . Then  $\langle a_{k_1} x^{k_1} \rangle \cdots \langle a_{k_q} x^{k_q} \rangle$  is independent of the presentation (4.4) of  $\alpha_*$ .*

**Proof.** We have to show the independence of the choice of  $\ell$  in (4.4). It suffices to show that the presentation

$$(4.4') \quad a_n = \frac{a_n}{2^\ell} = \frac{a'_n}{2^{\ell+1}}, n \in N.$$

leads to  $\langle a'_{k_1} x^{k_1} \rangle \cdots \langle a'_{k_q} x^{k_q} \rangle = \langle a_{k_1} x^{k_1} \rangle \cdots \langle a_{k_q} x^{k_q} \rangle$ . Since  $a'_n = 2a_n, n \in N$ , we have by (4.1), (i),

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle a'_{k_1} x^{k_1} \rangle \cdots \langle a'_{k_q} x^{k_q} \rangle = \\ &\langle a_{k_1} x^{k_1} \rangle \cdots \langle a_{k_q} x^{k_q} \rangle \langle a_{k_1} x^{k_1} \cdots a_{k_q} x^{k_q} \rangle = \\ &\langle a_{k_1} x^{k_1} \rangle \cdots \langle a_{k_q} x^{k_q} \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

**Theorem 4.6.** *The category **MP** is isomorphic to the category  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -**Cmod** of  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex modules.*

**Proof.** Let  $X$  be a  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex module. Given any two distinct elements  $n_1, n_2$  of  $N$  we have  $\frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_2} \in Cv_{D_0, N}$ . Let  $x, y \in X$  and choose  $x^* \in (N, X)$  such that  $x^{n_1} = x$  and  $x^{n_2} = y$ . Since  $\langle \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_2}, x^* \rangle$  depends on  $x$  and  $y$  only, due to [1], 3.5, and [2], 4.4, we put

$$(*) \quad xy := \langle \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_2}, x^* \rangle.$$

Due to [1], 3.8, (which remains valid for arbitrary infinite classes) we have  $x^2 = x$  for all  $x \in X$ , and [1], 3.6, (which remains valid for arbitrary infinite classes) implies  $xy = yx$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . In order to obtain (4.1), (iii), let  $n_1, \dots, n_4 \in N$  be mutually distinct and choose  $x^* \in (N, X)$  such that  $x^{n_1} = x, x^{n_2} = y, x^{n_3} = u, x^{n_4} = v$ . Let  $\alpha_* := \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_2}$  and choose  $\beta_*^\square \in (N, Cv_{D_0, N})$  such that

$$\beta_*^{n_1} = \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_2} \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_*^{n_3} = \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_3} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_4}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} (xy)(uv) &= \langle \alpha_\square, \langle \beta_*^\square, x^* \rangle \rangle = \langle \langle \alpha_\square, \beta_*^\square \rangle, x^* \rangle \\ &= \langle \frac{1}{4}\delta_*^{n_1} + \frac{1}{4}\delta_*^{n_2} + \frac{1}{4}\delta_*^{n_3} + \frac{1}{4}\delta_*^{n_4}, x^* \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\delta_*^\square \in (N, Cv_{D_0, N})$  satisfy

$$\gamma_*^{n_1} = \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_3} \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma_*^{n_2} = \frac{1}{2}\delta_*^{n_2} + \frac{1}{4}\delta_*^{n_4}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} (xu)(yv) &= \langle \alpha_\square, \langle \gamma_*^\square, x^* \rangle \rangle = \langle \langle \alpha_\square, \beta_*^\square \rangle, x^* \rangle \\ &= \langle \frac{1}{4}\delta_*^{n_1} + \frac{1}{4}\delta_*^{n_2} + \frac{1}{4}\delta_*^{n_3} + \frac{1}{4}\delta_*^{n_4}, x^* \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Hence (4.1), (iii), is valid and  $X$  equipped with the product  $(*)$  is a midpoint algebra.

Conversely assume that  $X$  is a midpoint algebra. Given  $\alpha_* \in Cv_{D_0, N}$  and  $x^* \in (N, X)$  we define

$$(**) \quad \langle \alpha_*, x^* \rangle := (\langle a_{k_1} x^{k_1} \rangle \dots \langle a_{k_q} x^{k_q} \rangle)$$

and claim that  $Cv_{D_0, N} \times (N, X) \ni (\alpha_*, x^*) \mapsto \langle \alpha_*, x^* \rangle \in X$  makes  $X$  a  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex module. Obviously we have  $\langle \delta_*^n, x^* \rangle = x^n$  for all  $n \in X$  and  $x^* \in (N, X)$ . Next we have to verify

$$\begin{aligned} (+) \quad \langle \alpha_\square, \langle \beta_*^\square, x^* \rangle \rangle &= \langle \langle \alpha_\square, \beta_*^\square \rangle, x^* \rangle, \\ &\text{for all } x^* \in (N, X), \alpha_* \in Cv_{D_0, N}, \beta_*^\square \in (N, Cv_{D_0, N}). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\text{supp } \alpha_* = \{k_1, \dots, k_q\}$ . Then there is an  $\ell \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that for some  $a_n, b_n^m \in \mathbb{N}_0, m \in \text{supp } \alpha_*$  and  $n \in N$ ,

$$\alpha_n = \frac{a_n}{2^\ell} \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_n^m = \frac{b_n^m}{2^\ell}, \quad m \in \text{supp } \alpha_*, n \in N,$$

hold. We have  $\sum a_n = 2^\ell$  and  $\sum_n b_n^m = 2^\ell, m \in \text{supp } \alpha_*$ . Denote  $\text{supp } \beta_*^m$  by  $\{\ell_{1,m}, \dots, \ell_{p_m,m}\}$ .

Then

$$\langle \beta_*^m, x^* \rangle = (\langle b_1^m x^{\ell_{1,m}} \rangle \dots \langle b_{p_m}^m x^{\ell_{p_m,m}} \rangle), m \in \text{supp } \alpha_*$$

and thus

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \alpha_\square, \langle \beta_*^\square, x^* \rangle \rangle &= (\langle a_{k_1} (\langle b_1^{k_1} x^{\ell_{1,k_1}} \rangle \dots \langle b_{p_1}^{k_1} x^{\ell_{p_1,k_1}} \rangle) \rangle \dots \\ &\dots \langle a_{k_q} (\langle b_1^{k_q} x^{\ell_{1,k_q}} \rangle \dots \langle b_{p_q}^{k_q} x^{\ell_{p_q,k_q}} \rangle) \rangle). \end{aligned}$$

By applying (4.2) and the definition of  $(x_1 \dots x_n)$  repeatedly the right side of the last equation turns out to be

$$\underbrace{(x^{\ell_{1,k_1}} \dots x^{\ell_{1,k_1}})}_{a_{k_1} b_1^{k_1} \text{-times}} \dots \underbrace{(x^{\ell_{p_q,k_q}} \dots x^{\ell_{p_q,k_q}})}_{a_{k_q} b_{k_q}^{k_q} \text{-times}}.$$

On the other hand,

$$\langle \alpha_\square, \beta_m^\square \rangle = \sum_n \alpha_n \beta_n^m = 2^{-2\ell} (a_{k_1} b_m^{k_1} + \dots + a_{k_q} b_m^{k_q}), m \in N,$$

and

$$\text{supp } \langle \alpha_{\square}, \beta_{*}^{\square} \rangle = \cup \{ \text{supp } \beta_{*}^m : m \in \text{supp } \alpha_{*} \}.$$

Therefore

$$\ll \langle \alpha_{\square}, \beta_{*}^{\square} \rangle, x^{*} \rangle = \underbrace{(x^{\ell_{1, k_1}} \dots x^{\ell_{1, k_1}})}_{a_{k_1} b_{k_1}^{k_1}\text{-times}} \dots \underbrace{(x^{\ell_{p_{k_q}, k_q}} \dots x^{\ell_{p_{k_q}, k_q}})}_{a_{k_q} b_{k_q}^{k_q}\text{-times}}.$$

Having shown the validity of (+) we know that the composition given by (\*\*) makes  $X$  a  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex module. A simple argument shows that both "midpoint algebra  $\xrightarrow{(**)}$   $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex module  $\xrightarrow{(*)}$  midpoint algebra" and " $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex module  $\xrightarrow{(*)}$  midpoint algebra  $\xrightarrow{(**)}$   $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex module" produce the original structure.

Next let  $f : X \rightarrow X'$  be a morphism of  $Cv_{D_0, N}$ -convex modules. Then for any  $x, y \in X$ , using the previous notation,

$$f(xy) = f(\langle \frac{1}{2}\delta_{*}^{n_1} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_{*}^{n_2}, x^{*} \rangle) = \langle \frac{1}{2}\delta_{*}^{n_2} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_{*}^{n_2}, f^N(x^{*}) \rangle = f(x)f(y),$$

whence  $f$  is a morphism of the associated midpoint algebras.

Finally let  $f : X \rightarrow X'$  be a morphism of midpoint algebras. Due to (3.3) we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(\langle \alpha_{*}, x^{*} \rangle) &= f(\langle a_{k_1} x^{k_1} \rangle \dots \langle a_{k_q} x^{k_q} \rangle) = \\ &= (\langle a_{k_1} f(x^{k_1}) \rangle \dots \langle a_{k_q} f(x^{k_q}) \rangle) = \langle \alpha_{*}, f^N(x^{*}) \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

□

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