

57. On the Ranked Group

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The purpose of this note is to give a definition of the ranked group, i.e. to combine the notions of the group and the ranked space [1], by the same method in the definition of the topological group. Throughout this note, we shall treat only ranked spaces with indicator ω_0 . We shall denote the points of a ranked space by x, y, \dots , the family of neighbourhoods of x with rank n by $\mathfrak{B}_n(x)$, and fundamental sequences of neighbourhoods with respect to x^1 by $\{u_n(x)\}, \{v_n(x)\}, \dots$.

§ 1. The definition of ranked groups. A set G is called a ranked group, if it is a group which is also a ranked space, where the group operations $(x, y) \rightarrow xy, x \rightarrow x^{-1}$, are continuous in the following sense;

(I) for any $\{u_n(x)\}, \{v_n(x)\}$, there exists a $\{w_n(xy)\}$ such that $u_n(x)v_n(y) \subseteq w_n(xy)$

(II) for any $\{u_n(x)\}$, there exists a $\{v_n(x^{-1})\}$ such that $(u_n(x))^{-1} \subseteq v_n(x^{-1})$.

(I) implies that, if $\{\lim x_n\} \ni x$ and $\{\lim y_n\} \ni y$, then $\{\lim x_n y_n\} \ni xy$,

(II) implies that, if $\{\lim x_n\} \ni x$, then $\{\lim x_n^{-1}\} \ni x^{-1}$.

§ 2. The neighbourhoods of identity of a ranked group. Let G be a ranked group, and e be its identity. \mathfrak{B}_n will denote the family of neighbourhoods of e with rank n , and $\{U_n\}, \{V_n\}, \dots$ fundamental sequences of neighbourhoods with respect to e .

The system $\{\mathfrak{B}_n\}$ possesses the following properties:

(A) for every V in \mathfrak{B} , $e \in V$ (where $\mathfrak{B} = \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_n$)

(B) for any U, V in \mathfrak{B} , there is a W in \mathfrak{B} such that $U \cap V \subseteq W$

(a) for any V in \mathfrak{B} and for any integer n , there is an $m, m \geq n$, and a U in \mathfrak{B}_m such that $U \subseteq V$

(b) $G \in \mathfrak{B}_0$.

These are obvious as the properties of neighbourhoods in a ranked space.

The axioms (I), (II) yields also,

(RG₁) for any $\{U_n\}, \{V_n\}$, there is a $\{W_n\}$ such that $U_n V_n \subseteq W_n$,

(RG₂) for any $\{U_n\}$, there is a $\{V_n\}$ such that $U_n^{-1} \subseteq V_n$,

1) A sequence of neighbourhoods of x , $\{v_n(x)\}$, is called a fundamental sequence, if $v_n(x) \supseteq v_{n+1}(x)$, and $\alpha_n \uparrow \infty$, where α_n is the rank of $v_n(x)$.

(RG_3) for any $\{U_n\}$ and for any $x \in G$, there is a $\{V_n\}$ such that $xU_nx^{-1} \subseteq V_n$,

(RG_4l) (resp. (RG_4r)) Let x be any point of G . For any $\{U_n\}$ there is a $\{v_n(x)\}$ such that $xU_n \subseteq v_n(x)$ (resp. $U_nx \subseteq v_n(x)$), and, conversely, for any $\{u_n(x)\}$ there is a $\{V_n\}$ such that $u_n(x) \subseteq xV_n$ (resp. $u_n(x) \subseteq V_nx$).²⁾

Proof. (RG_1) , (RG_2) are immediate consequences of (I), (II), respectively, putting $x=y=e$. We shall prove (RG_4l) . Let $\{u_n(x)\}$ be some fundamental sequence of neighbourhoods with respect to x . Because of (I), there exists a $\{v_n(x)\}$ such that $u_n(x)U_n \subseteq v_n(x)$. Since $x \in u_n(x)$, $xU_n \subseteq v_n(x)$. Conversely, taking some fundamental sequence of neighbourhoods with respect to x^{-1} , say $\{v_n(x^{-1})\}$, and applying (I), there exists a $\{V_n\}$ such that $v_n(x^{-1})u_n(x) \subseteq V_n$. Since $x^{-1} \in v_n(x^{-1})$, $x^{-1}u_n(x) \subseteq V_n$, i.e. $u_n(x) \subseteq xV_n$.

Similarly we can prove (RG_4r) .

Now, we shall prove (RG_3) . For any $\{U_n\}$ and for any $x \in G$, because of (RG_4l) , we get a $\{v_n(x)\}$ such that $xU_n \subseteq v_n(x)$. Then, from (RG_4r) , there exists a $\{V_n\}$ such that $v_n(x) \subseteq V_nx$. Hence $xU_nx^{-1} \subseteq V_n$.

The four conditions above are not only necessary, but sufficient for a group G which is also a ranked space to be a ranked group. In other words, (I), (II) follows from (RG_1) , (RG_2) , (RG_3) , (RG_4l) (or (RG_4r)).³⁾ Clearly, (RG_3) can be omitted if G is commutative.

Proof. (I). Take any $\{u_n(x)\}$, $\{v_n(y)\}$. From (RG_4l) and (RG_4r) , there are $\{U_n\}$, $\{V_n\}$ such that $u_n(x) \subseteq xU_n$, $v_n(y) \subseteq V_ny$. Applying (RG_1) , we get a $\{W_n\}$ such that $U_nV_n \subseteq W_n$, and furthermore, by (RG_3) , a $\{W'_n\}$ such that $xW_nx^{-1} \subseteq W'_n$. From (RG_4r) again, there is a $\{w_n(xy)\}$ such that $W'_nx y \subseteq w_n(xy)$. Then, $u_n(x)v_n(y) \subseteq xU_nV_ny \subseteq xW_ny \subseteq W'_nx y \subseteq w_n(xy)$.

(II) By (RG_4l) , for any $\{u_n(x)\}$, there is a $\{U_n\}$ such that $u_n(x) \subseteq xU_n$. Next, by (RG_2) there is a $\{V_n\}$ such that $U_n^{-1} \subseteq V_n$, and by (RG_4r) , a $\{v_n(x^{-1})\}$ such that $V_nx^{-1} \subseteq v_n(x^{-1})$. Then, $(u_n(x))^{-1} \subseteq (xU_n)^{-1} \subseteq V_nx^{-1} \subseteq v_n(x^{-1})$.

Now, let G be a group, where defined families of subsets, $\mathfrak{B}_n(n=0, 1, 2, \dots)$, which satisfy axioms (A), (B), (a), (b), (RG_1) , (RG_2) , (RG_3) . When we take the totality of xV for $V \in \mathfrak{B}_n$ as $\mathfrak{B}_n(x)$, (RG_4l) is evidently fulfilled, and G becomes a ranked group.⁴⁾ Taking $\{Vx; V \in \mathfrak{B}_n\}$ as

2) (RG_4l) (resp. (RG_4r)) means that, in a ranked group, we have $\{\lim x_n\} \ni x$ if and only if $\{\lim x^{-1}x_n\} \ni e$ (resp. $\{\lim x_nx^{-1}\} \ni e$).

3) Under the condition (RG_3) , conditions (RG_4l) and (RG_4r) are equivalent.

4) If G is a ranked group and $\mathfrak{B}_n(x)$ is the system of neighbourhoods of x with rank n , taking the new system $\mathfrak{B}'_n(x) = \{xV; V \in \mathfrak{B}_n\}$, a new ranked group may be obtained, where convergence of sequences coincides with initial one. See examples [2], [3].

$\mathfrak{B}_n(x)$, we may obtain another ranked group. In any case convergence of sequences coincides.

§ 3. Sufficient conditions for (RG_1) , (RG_2) , (RG_3) . As sufficient conditions for (RG_1) , (RG_2) , (RG_3) , respectively, we have

(1) there exists a non-negative function $\phi(\lambda, \mu)$, defined for $\lambda \geq 0$, $\mu \geq 0$, such that $\lim_{\lambda, \mu \rightarrow \infty} \phi(\lambda, \mu) = \infty$, and the following holds; if $U \in \mathfrak{B}_l$, $V \in \mathfrak{B}_m$, $W \in \mathfrak{B}_n$, and $UV \subseteq W$, then there is an $n^* \geq \phi(l, m)$, and a W^* in \mathfrak{B}_n^* such that $UV \subseteq W^* \subseteq W$.

(2) there exists a non-negative function $\psi(\lambda)$ defined for $\lambda \geq 0$ such that $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \psi(\lambda) = \infty$, and the following holds; if $U \in \mathfrak{B}_l$, $V \in \mathfrak{B}_m$, and $U^{-1} \subseteq V$, then there is an $m^* \geq \psi(l)$ and a V^* in $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{V}_m^*$ such that $U^{-1} \subseteq V^* \subseteq V$.

(3) there exists a non-negative function $\chi(\lambda; x)$ defined for $\lambda \geq 0$, $x \in G$, such that $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \chi(\lambda; x) = \infty$ for any fixed x , and the following holds; if $U \in \mathfrak{B}_m$, $V \in \mathfrak{B}_n$, $x \in G$, and $xUx^{-1} \subseteq V$, there is an $n^* \geq \chi(m; x)$ and a V^* in \mathfrak{B}_n^* such that $xUx^{-1} \subseteq V^* \subseteq V$.

The proof can be made by the same method in [2].

When $\{\mathfrak{B}_n\}$ satisfies the condition (*) ([2], p. 586), (1), (2), (3) may be replaced by, respectively,

(1') there exists a function $\phi(\lambda, \mu)$ such as ϕ in (1), and the following holds; for any $U \in \mathfrak{B}_l$, $V \in \mathfrak{B}_m$, there is an $n \geq \phi(l, m)$ and a W in \mathfrak{B}_n such that $UV \subseteq W$.

(2') there exists a function $\psi(\lambda)$ such as ψ in (2), and the following holds; for any $U \in \mathfrak{B}_l$ there is an $m \geq \psi(l)$ and a V in \mathfrak{B}_m such that $U^{-1} \subseteq V$.

(3') there exists a function $\chi(\lambda; x)$ such as χ in (3), and the following holds; for any $U \in \mathfrak{B}_m$ and for any $x \in G$, there is an $n \geq \chi(m; x)$ and a V in \mathfrak{B}_n such that $xUx^{-1} \subseteq V$.

§ 4. Limit structure on ranked groups. H. R. Fischer developed the theory of limit spaces, and generalized the notion of topological group to group with limits [3]. A ranked group is considered to be a group with limits as follows.

We take as τe the families of all filters containing some fundamental sequence of neighbourhoods with respect to e . It is easy to see that the ultrafilter \dot{e} the (family of all subsets containing e) belongs to τe , and that τe is a \mathcal{A} -ideal, i.e. i) if $\mathfrak{F} \in \tau e$ and $\mathfrak{G} \in \tau e$, then $\mathfrak{F} \wedge \mathfrak{G} \in \tau e$, ii) if $\mathfrak{F} \in \tau e$ and $\mathfrak{F} \leq \mathfrak{G}$, then $\mathfrak{G} \in \tau e$. Moreover, τe satisfies following conditions; (I) $\tau e \cdot \tau e \subseteq \tau e$ (II) $(\tau e)^{-1} \subseteq \tau e$, (III) $x \cdot \tau e \cdot x^{-1} \subseteq \tau e$. In fact, these follows from (RG_1) , (RG_2) , (RG_3) , respectively. Thus, G becomes a group with limits ([3], p. 293, Satz 1).

A sequence $\{x_n\}$ converges to x in the limit space G if and only if

$\{\lim x_n\} \ni x$. In fact,⁵⁾ $\{x_n\}$ converges to e in the limit space G if and only if the filter \mathfrak{A} generated by all A_n 's, $A_n = \{x_k; k \geq n\}$, belongs to τe . If $\{\lim x_n\} \ni e$, there is a $\{V_n\}$ such that $x_n \in V_n$. Since $V_n \supseteq V_{n+1}$, $V_n \supseteq A_n$ and therefore $V_n \in \mathfrak{A}$. Hence $\mathfrak{A} \in \tau e$. Conversely, let $\mathfrak{A} \in \tau e$. There is a $\{U_n\}$ such that $U_n \in \mathfrak{A}$. Since \mathfrak{A} is generated by A_n 's and $A_n \supseteq A_{n+1}$, there is an N_1 such that $U_1 \supseteq A_{N_1}$, and an $N_2 > N_1$ such that $U_2 \supseteq A_{N_2}$, and so on. Putting $V_n = U_i$ for n with $N_i \leq n < N_{i+1}$ (where $N_0 = 1, V_0 = G$), we get a fundamental sequence $\{V_n\}$ such that $V_n \supseteq A_n$, therefore $x_n \in V_n$, that is, $\{\lim x_n\} \ni e$.

§ 5. Examples of ranked groups. 1. A linear ranked space [2] is an additive ranked group. In fact, axiom (1) in linear ranked spaces is identical to the condition (1). (RG_2) is satisfied because all V in \mathfrak{B} are circled, and (RG_4) is trivial, for $\mathfrak{B}_n(x)$ is defined as the family of all $x + V$ for $V \in \mathfrak{B}_n$.

2. Let B be a Banach algebra, G be the group consisting of all regular points of B . Take as $\mathfrak{B}_n(x)$ the family consisting of only one set $v(n; x) = \left\{ y \in G; \|y - x\| < \frac{1}{n} \right\}$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$), and $\{G\}$ as $\mathfrak{B}_0(x)$. Then G is clearly a ranked space. Since $v(m; e) \subseteq v(n; e)$ for $m \geq n$, the condition (*) is satisfied. Put $\phi(\lambda, \mu) = \left[\frac{\lambda\mu}{\lambda + \mu + 1} \right]$. Then, $\lim_{\lambda, \mu \rightarrow \infty} \phi(\lambda, \mu) = \infty$, and we can show that $v(l; e)v(m; e) \subseteq v(n; e)$ for $n = \phi(l, m)$, from the inequality $\|xy\| \leq \|x\| \cdot \|y\|$. Consequently (1') holds. Next, putting $\psi(\lambda) = \max.(\lambda - 1, 0)$, we have $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \psi(\lambda) = \infty$, and $(v(l; e))^{-1} \subseteq v(m; e)$ for $m = \psi(l)$.⁶⁾ Finally, (3') also holds, putting $\chi(\lambda; x) = \left[\frac{\lambda}{\|x\| \cdot \|x^{-1}\|} \right]$. Moreover (RG_4) is satisfied. In fact, since $xv(m; e) \subseteq v(n; x)$ for $n = \left[\frac{m}{\|x\|} \right]$, and $v(m; x) \subseteq xv(n; e)$ for $n = \left[\frac{m}{\|x^{-1}\|} \right]$, for every $\{u_n(x)\}$, we can choose a $\{V_n\}$ such that $u_n(x) \subseteq xV_n$, and, conversely, for every $\{U_n\}$, a $\{v_n(x)\}$ such that $xU_n \subseteq v_n(x)$. Thus, G is a ranked group.

When we take $\{xv(n; e)\}$ as $\mathfrak{B}_n(x)$, G becomes a new ranked group, in which convergence is still the norm convergence, but the diameter of the neighbourhood of x with rank n may depend upon x .

3. Let G be the group consisting of all matrices of the form $\begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

5) Since, both in ranked groups and in groups with limits, a sequence $\{x_n\}$ converges to x if and only if $\{x^{-1}x_n\}$ converges to e , we can assume $x = e$ without loss of generality.

6) For the proof, remark that, since $x^{-1} = e + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x - e)^n$ for x such that $\|x - e\| < 1$, $\|x - e\| < \frac{1}{n}$ yields $\|x^{-1} - e\| < \frac{1}{n-1}$ ($n \geq 2$).

$(0 < a_1 < \infty, -\infty < a_2 < \infty)$.⁷⁾ We denote $\begin{pmatrix} a_1, a_2 \\ 0, 1 \end{pmatrix}$ by simply (a_1, a_2) . Then $e = (1, 0)$, and if $a = (a_1, a_2)$, $b = (b_1, b_2)$, then $ab = (a_1b_1, a_1b_2 + a_2)$, $a^{-1} = \left(\frac{1}{a_1}, -\frac{a_2}{a_1}\right)$. This group is not commutative.

Let $v(n; a) = \left\{x = (x_1, x_2) \in G; (x_1 - a_1)^2 + (x_2 - a_2)^2 < \frac{1}{n^2}\right\}$, and take $\{v(n; a)\}$ as $\mathfrak{B}_n(a)$. Then G is a ranked space. Clearly, $(*)$ is fulfilled. It is easy to see that the conditions (1'), (2'), (3') are satisfied, putting $\phi(\lambda, \mu) = \left[\frac{\lambda\mu}{2(\lambda+\mu)}\right]$, $\psi(\lambda) = \max.(\lambda - 1, 0)$, and $\chi(\lambda; a) = \left[\frac{m x_1}{a_1 + |a_2|}\right]$.

Since

$$\begin{aligned} av(m; e) &= \left\{(a_1x_1, a_1x_2 + a_2); (x_1 - 1)^2 + x_2^2 < \frac{1}{m^2}\right\} \\ &= \left\{(y_1, y_2); (y_1 - a_1)^2 + (y_2 - a_2)^2 < \frac{a_1^2}{m^2}\right\}, \end{aligned}$$

$av(m; e) \subseteq v(n; a)$ for $n = \left[\frac{m}{a_1}\right]$, and $v(m; a) \subseteq av(n; e)$ for $n = [ma_1]$.

Therefore (RG_4) holds, and G is a ranked group.

Corresponding the element (a_1, a_2) of G to the point (a_1, a_2) in the complex plane, G is regarded as the half plane $a_1 > 0$, and $v(n; a)$ as the intersection of G and the circle of radius $\frac{1}{n}$ with center a . While, if we take $\{av(n; e)\}$ as $\mathfrak{B}_n(a)$, the neighbourhood of a with rank n is the circle with center a whose radius is $\frac{a_1}{n}$, and therefore depends upon a . Furthermore, if we take $\{v(n; e)a\}$ as $\mathfrak{B}_n(a)$, the neighbourhoods of $a (a \neq e)$ are no longer circles.

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⁷⁾ This is a well known example of a topological group in which the left and the right invariant Haar measures are essentially different. See, for instance, [4], p. 256.