# The structure of Boolean commutative idempotent residuated lattices

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## Lattices with a ≤-preserving idempotent binary operation

Let  $(A, \wedge, \vee, \cdot)$  be a lattice with an **order-preserving idempotent binary operation**  $\cdot$ , i.e.,

$$xx = x$$
, and  $x \le y \implies xz \le yz$  and  $zx \le zy$ .

Then 
$$x \wedge y = (x \wedge y)(x \wedge y) \leq xy \leq (x \vee y)(x \vee y) = x \vee y$$
.

So idempotence implies that xy is in the interval  $[x \land y, x \lor y]$ .

## Atomic Boolean algebras with an idempotent operator

Let  $\mathbf{B} = (B, \land, \lor, \neg, \bot, \top, \cdot)$  be a Boolean algebra (BA) with an **idempotent normal binary operator**  $\cdot$ , i.e.,

$$xx = x$$
,  $x \perp = \perp = \perp x$ ,  $x(y \lor z) = xy \lor xz$  and  $(x \lor y)z = xz \lor yz$ .

 $a \in B$  is an **atom** if a is a cover of  $\bot$ .

The set of atoms of  $\mathbf{B}$  is denoted  $At(\mathbf{B})$ .

**B** is **atomic** if for every  $x \in B$  there exists an atom  $a \le x$ , or equivalently, if At(B) is **join-dense**, i.e., every  $x \in B$  is a join of atoms.

#### Lemma

In an atomic Boolean algebra with an idempotent binary operator

$$ab \in \{\bot, a, b, a \lor b\}$$
 for all  $a, b \in At(\mathbf{B})$ .

## Atomic BAs with normal operator and ternary relations

#### Lemma

**1** Let **B** be an atomic Boolean algebra with a normal binary operator,  $A = At(\mathbf{B})$  and define a ternary relation  $R_{\mathbf{B}} \subseteq A^3$  by  $R_{\mathbf{B}}(a,b,c) \iff a \leq bc$ . Then for all  $x,y \in B$ ,

$$xy = \bigvee \{a : \exists b \le x \exists c \le y \ R(a, b, c)\}.$$

**2** Suppose  $R \subseteq A^3$  is a ternary relation on a set A, and define  $\mathbf{B}_R = (\mathcal{P}(A), \cup, \cap, \neg, \emptyset, A, \cdot)$  where for  $Y, Z \in P(A)$ 

$$Y \cdot Z = \{x : \exists y \in Y \exists z \in Z \ R(x, y, z)\}.$$

Then  $\mathbf{B}_R$  is a complete atomic Boolean algebra with a normal binary operator.

**3**  $R_{\mathbf{B}_R} \cong R$  and if **B** is complete then  $\mathbf{B}_{R_{\mathbf{B}}} \cong \mathbf{B}$ .

# Characterizing the relations of idempotent BAs

How to characterize the relations R that arise from an idempotent B?

## Lemma

 $\mathbf{B}_R$  has an idempotent binary operator if and only if R(a, a, a) and  $R(a, b, c) \implies a = b$  or a = c.

## Proof.

Assume  $\mathbf{B}_R$  is idempotent,  $a, b, c \in A = At(\mathbf{B}_R)$  be atoms and  $a \le bc$ . By idempotence  $bc \le b \lor c$ , so  $a \le b \lor c$ .

Since a, b, c are atoms, it follows that a = b or a = c.

Now suppose R(a, a, a) and  $(R(a, b, c) \Rightarrow a = b \text{ or } a = c)$  holds for all atoms  $a, b, c \in A$ . Then for any  $x \in B$  we have  $x \le xx$  since R(a, a, a) holds for all atoms  $a \le x$ .

Now let a be an atom such that  $a \le xx$ . Then  $a \le bc$  for some atoms  $b, c \le x$ , therefore R(a, b, c) holds and by assumption a = b or a = c. Hence  $a \le x$  and it follows that xx = x.

# Idempotence reduces R to two binary relations

R is said to be **idempotent** if R(a, a, a), and  $R(a, b, c) \implies a = b$  or a = c

## Lemma

An idempotent ternary relation  $R \subseteq A^3$  is definitionally equivalent to a pair of **reflexive** binary relations  $P, Q \subseteq A^2$  via the following definitions.

Defining P, Q from R:

(Pdef) 
$$P(x, y) \Leftrightarrow R(x, y, x)$$
 (Qdef)  $Q(x, y) \Leftrightarrow R(x, x, y)$ 

Defining R from P, Q:

(Rdef) 
$$R(x, y, z) \Leftrightarrow (x = y \& Q(y, z)) \text{ or } (x = z \& P(z, y)).$$

# Commutativite idempotent R reduce to digraphs

*R* is said to be **commutative** if  $\mathbf{B}_R$  satisfies xy = yx.

Equivalently, R is commutative if  $R(a, b, c) \implies R(a, c, b)$ .

#### Lemma

A commutative idempotent ternary relation  $R \subseteq A^3$  is definitionally equivalent to a **reflexive** binary relation  $P \subseteq A^2$ :

$$P(x, y) \iff R(x, y, x) \quad (\iff R(x, x, y))$$

$$R(x, y, z) \iff (x = y \& P(y, z)) \text{ or } (x = z \& P(z, y)).$$

i.e., an idempotent R is commutative  $\iff P = Q$ .

# Commutative idempotent residuated Boolean algebras

A residuated Boolean algebra or *r*-algebra ( $\mathbf{B}_0,\cdot,\setminus,/$ ) is a Boolean algebra  $\mathbf{B}_0=(B,\wedge,\vee,\neg,\perp,\top)$  with three binary operations such that

$$xy \le z \iff x \le z/y \iff y \le x \setminus z$$
.

Jónsson-Tarski 1952, Jónsson-Tsinakis 1993: r-algebras form a variety, and  $\cdot$  is an operator.

Each of  $\cdot$ ,  $\setminus$ , / uniquely determines the other two.

## **Theorem**

- Complete and atomic (ca-)r-algebras correspond to ternary relations.
- ② Idempotent ca-r-algebras correspond to pairs (P, Q) of directed graphs.
- Ommutative idempotent ca-r-algebras correspond to directed graphs.

## Associativity and multiplicative identity

An ordered algebra is **subassociativity** if it satisfies  $(xy)z \le x(yz)$  and **supassociativite** if it satisfies  $(xy)z \ge x(yz)$ .

The operation  $\cdot$  is **right unital** if for some  $e \in B$ , xe = x. The operation  $\cdot$  is **left unital** if for some  $e \in B$ , ex = x.

## Theorem (Maddux 1982)

Let R be a ternary relation on a set A. Then  $\mathbf{B}_R$  is

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subassociative \Leftrightarrow (R(u, x, y) \& R(w, u, z) \Rightarrow \exists v (R(v, y, z) \& R(w, x, v)))
right unital \Leftrightarrow \exists I \subseteq A(x = y \Leftrightarrow \exists z \in I R(x, y, z))
left unital \Leftrightarrow \exists I \subseteq A(x = z \Leftrightarrow \exists y \in I R(x, y, z))
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## Associative idempotent ternary relations

*R* is called **subassociative** if  $\mathbf{B}_R$  satisfies  $(xy)z \le x(yz)$ .

## Theorem

An idempotent ternary relation  $R \subseteq A^3$  is subassociative if and only if the corresponding reflexive relations P, Q satisfy

$$(P_1)$$
  $P(x, y) \& P(y, z) \Rightarrow P(x, z)$   $P$ -transitivity

$$(P_2)$$
  $Q(x, y) \& Q(x, z) \Rightarrow Q(y, z) \text{ or } P(z, y)$ 

(P<sub>3</sub>) 
$$P(x, y) \& Q(y, z) \& x \neq y \Rightarrow P(x, z)$$

To characterize supassociativity of R (i.e.  $(xy)z \ge x(yz)$  for  $\mathbf{B}_R$ ), it suffices to interchange P, Q in these conditions to obtain  $(P_1')$ ,  $(P_2')$ ,  $(P_3')$ .

Hence R is associative if and only if P, Q satisfy all six conditions.

# Associative commutative idempotent ternary relations

## Corollary

An idempotent commutative ternary relation  $R \subseteq A^3$  is associative if and only if the corresponding relation P satisfy

(Refl) 
$$P(x,x)$$
  
(Trans)  $P(x,y) \& P(y,z) \Rightarrow P(x,z)$   
(Forest)  $P(x,y) \& P(x,z) \Rightarrow P(y,z)$  or  $P(z,y)$   
i.e., each branch  $\{y: P(x,y)\}$  is a linear preorder.

Relations with these three properties are called preorder forests.

A connected preorder forest is called a preorder tree or labelled tree.



## Boolean algebras with a semilattice operator

A semilattice operator on a lattice is a binary operation that is associative, commutative, idempotent and distributes over joins in each argument.

#### Theorem

Complete atomic Boolean algebras with a semilattice operator are in 1-1 correspondence with preorder forests.

For example a discrete poset or antichain (A, =) corresponds to the Boolean algebra of all subsets of A with semilattice operator  $xy = x \land y = x \cap y$ .

A **full** preorder  $(A, A^2)$  corresponds to the Boolean algebra of all subsets of A with semilattice operator  $xy = x \lor y = x \cup y$  for nonempty x, y and  $\emptyset$  otherwise.

## Rooted preorder forests

- A preorder forest is a disjoint union of one or more preorder trees.
- A **rooted** preorder tree has an element r such that P(x, r) for all x.
- A rooted preorder forest is a disjoint union of rooted preorder trees.
- Finite preorder forests are always rooted

How many preorder forests are there with n elements (up to isomorphism)?

Let pt(n)[pf(n)] = number of preorder trees [forests] with*n*elements.

$$pt(n+1) = pt(n) + pf(n)$$
 and  $pf(n) = Euler transform of  $pt(n)$$ 

# Why is pt(n+1) = pt(n) + pf(n)?

Given a preorder forest, we add a single new root (maximum element) to get a preorder tree with n+1 elements.

Given a preorder tree, we add another element to the root preorder class to get a preorder tree with n+1 elements.

All preorder trees obtained in this way are nonisomorphic.

Given any preorder tree with n+1 elements, if it has a single maximal element, remove it to get a preorder forest with n elements,

and if it has several elements in the maximal preorder class, remove one of them to get a preorder tree with n elements.

## Euler transform

Given  $a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n$  the Euler transform  $b_n$  is calculated by:

$$c_n = \sum_{d|n} da_d$$
 and  $b_n = \frac{1}{n} (c_n + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} c_k b_{n-k})$ 

For example, given  $a_1=1, a_2=2, a_3=5$  and  $b_1=1, b_2=3$  we calculate

$$c_1 = 1 \cdot a_1 = 1$$
  
 $c_2 = 1 \cdot a_1 + 2 \cdot a_2 = 1 + 4 = 5$   
 $c_3 = 1 \cdot a_1 + 3 \cdot a_3 = 1 + 15 = 16$ 

$$b_3 = \frac{1}{3}(c_3 + c_1b_2 + c_2b_1) = \frac{1}{3}(16 + 3 + 5) = \frac{24}{3} = 8 = pf(3)$$

# Preorder forests with singletons roots

A preorder forest P has **singleton roots** if it is rooted and for all roots r and all x,  $P(r,x) \implies r = x$ , i.e., each root is a singleton preorder class.

#### Lemma

Let P be a preorder forest on a set A, with associated ternary relation R, and let I be the union of all root preorder classes.

Then  $\mathbf{B}_R$  has I as identity element if and only if P has singleton roots.

#### Proof.

Suppose  $a \neq b$  are in the same root preorder class. Then  $ab = a \lor b$  hence  $\{a\}I \neq \{a\}$ .

Conversely, suppose  $\{a\}I \neq \{a\}$  for some  $a \in I$ . Since  $a \leq aa$  it follows that  $\{a,b\} \subseteq \{a\}I$  for some  $b \in A - \{a\}$ . Then  $b \leq ai$  for some  $i \in I$ , and by idempotence b = i. Hence P(b,a) holds, and since  $b \in I$  the preorder class of a is not a singleton.

## Boolean idempotent residuated lattices

A **residuated Boolean monoid** or *rm*-algebra is an associative unital *r*-algebra. They are **residuated lattices with a Boolean lattice reduct**.

Commutative *rm*-algebras are also known as **Boolean bunched implication algebras**.

#### Theorem

Complete and atomic idempotent commutative rm-algebras are definitionally equivalent to preorder forests with singleton roots.

Hence all finite idempotent commutative  $\it rm$ -algebras can be constructed by enumerating preorder forests with singleton roots.

# Counting finite preorder forests with singleton roots

A preorder tree with singleton root and n elements is obtained by adding a new root to a preorder forest.

Let  $pt_1(n) = number of preorder trees with singleton root and <math>n$  elements.

 $pf_1(n) = number of preorder forests with singleton root and n elements.$ 

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pt(n)	1	2	5	13	37	108	332	1042	A036249
pf(n)	1	3	8	24	71	224	710	2318	A036249 A052855
$pt_1(n)$	1	1	3	8	24	71	224	710	
$pf_1(n)$	1	2	5	14	41	127			

Here  $pf_1(n)$  is also the Euler transform of  $pt_1(n)$ .

# Enumerating finite preorder forests

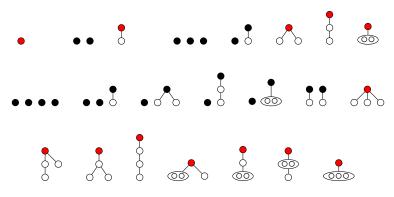


Figure: Preorder forests with singleton roots: 1, 2, 5, 14, 41, 127,...

## Generalizing to distributive residuated lattices

Replace complete atomic Boolean algebras by **complete perfect distributive lattices**.

Replace the set of atoms by the poset  $(J(\mathbf{D}), \leq)$  of completely join-irreducible elements with partial order induced by  $\mathbf{D}$ .

A ternary relation R(a, b, c) is defined on  $J(\mathbf{D})$  as before:  $a \leq bc$ .

This relation is captured by binary relations P, Q if  $\mathbf{D}$  satisfies the formula

$$xy = x \land y \text{ or } xy = x \text{ or } xy = y \text{ or } xy = x \lor y \text{ for all } x, y \in J(\mathbf{D})$$

This is a class of idempotent distributive residuated lattices (but not all of them). It includes the class of **conservative residuated lattices**.

# Commutative distributive idempotent residuated lattices

For a poset  $\mathbf{A} = (A, \leq)$ , let  $P \subseteq A^2$  be a preorder forest with singleton roots and let R be the associated ternary relation.

Define 
$$\mathbf{D}_R = Dn(\mathbf{A}) = \{ \downarrow X : X \subseteq A \}$$
 with operation

$$(\downarrow X)(\downarrow Y) = \downarrow \{a : a \le bc \text{ for some } b \in X, c \in Y\}.$$

Then  $\mathbf{D}_R$  is a commutative distributive idempotent residuated lattice if and only if R satisfies the down-up-up property:

$$R(x, y, z), u \le x, y \le v \text{ and } z \le w \implies R(u, v, w).$$

Find a simple characterization of this property in term of P and  $\leq$ .

## Thank you!

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