

RESIDUATED LATTICES

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1. *Introduction.*—We summarize here our investigations of a lattice $\Sigma: a, b, \dots, z$ over which a multiplication or a residuation is defined. (Ward 1, Dilworth 1.) We denote division, union and cross-cut by $x \supset y$, (x, y) , $[x, y]$. Σ is closed with respect to union (cross-cut) if any set of elements have a union (cross-cut). The unit and null elements i and n are defined by $i \supset x$, $x \supset n$, every $x.a$ covers b (Birkhoff 1) if $a \supset b$, $a \neq b$ and $a \supset x \supset b$ implies $x = a$ or $x = b$. Elements covered by i are called divisor-free. A sub-lattice Λ is dense over Σ if Λ contains l, m and $l \supset x \supset m$ imply Λ contains x . An element a is a node if either $x \supset a$ or $a \supset x$, every x . Any involution of Σ interchanging union and cross-cut is called a negation. An element a is idempotent relative to a binary operation $x \circ y$ if $a \circ a = a$. Two properties P and Q which Σ may possess are completely independent if there exist instances of lattices in which both P and Q hold, neither holds, P holds but not Q , Q holds but not P .

2. *Residuations and Multiplications.*—Assume Σ contains i . A well defined binary operation $x:y$ is called a residuation over Σ provided that

- R 1. $a:b$ lies in Σ whenever a, b lie in Σ .
- R 2. $a:b = i$ if and only if $a \supset b$.
- R 3. $a \supset b$ implies $a:c \supset b:c$ and $c:b \supset c:a$.
- R 4. $(a:b):c = (a:c):b$.
- R 5. $[a, b]:c = [a:c, b:c]$ and $c:(a, b) = [c:a, c:b]$.

This residual has the formal properties of the residual in polynomial ideal theory. (Ward 1, Dilworth 1.)

THEOREM. *A residuated lattice closed with respect to cross-cut is also closed with respect to a well-defined multiplication $x \cdot y$ satisfying the following conditions:*

- M 1. $a \cdot b$ lies in Σ whenever a, b lie in Σ .
- M 2. $(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$.
- M 3. $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$.
- M 4. $a \cdot i = a$.
- M 5. $a \cdot (b, c) = (a \cdot b, a \cdot c)$.

If a multiplication over Σ satisfies M 1–M 5 and M 6: *The product of the unions of any two sets of elements of Σ is the union of the products of all pairs of elements of the sets*, then a residuation exists satisfying R 1–R 5. (Ward 1.) The relationship between the two operations is as follows.

$a \supset (a:b) \cdot b$; if $a \supset x \cdot b$ then $a:b \supset x$.
 $(a \cdot b):a \supset b$; if $x:a \supset b$ then $x \supset a \cdot b$.

Both operations may be dualized.

THEOREM. *The Dedekind modular condition and the existence of a residual are completely independent properties of a lattice. The existence of a residual and the existence of a negation are completely independent.*

3. Conditions for Residuation.

THEOREM. *Every distributive lattice which is closed with respect to union can be residuated in at least one way. (Ward 2.)*

THEOREM. *Every Boolean algebra can be residuated in only one way.*

The residual in this case is $a:b = a \vee b'$. (Dilworth 1.) A lattice is said to be complemented (Birkhoff 2) if it contains i and n and for every element a an element a' such that $(a, a') = i$, $[a, a'] = n$.

THEOREM. *The only complemented lattices which can be residuated are Boolean algebras.*

COROLLARY. *No non-trivial projective geometry (Birkhoff 2) can be residuated.*

THEOREM. *The free modular lattice of order twenty-eight cannot be residuated.*

THEOREM. *Every lattice in which only one divisor free element exists can be residuated in at least one way.*

THEOREM. *A lattice built up out of a set of residuated lattices connected into a chain by nodes can be residuated.*

THEOREM. *A direct product of residuated lattices can be residuated; conversely if a residuated lattice can be expressed as a direct product, each of its factors can be residuated.*

THEOREM. *A necessary condition that a residuated lattice in which an ascending chain condition holds (Ore 1) can be residuated is that every Boolean algebra generated by a finite number of divisor free elements be dense over the lattice.*

4. *Noether Lattices.*—We propose here the name "Noether lattice" for any residuated modular lattice in which both the (ascending) chain condition holds and

D 1. *For any two elements a, b of Σ , there exist exponents r and s such that $a \cdot b \supset [a^r, b^s]$.*

For the ideal theory terminology used here see van der Waerden 1.

THEOREM. *In a Noether lattice, every irreducible is primary. Conversely, if in a residuated modular lattice with chain condition every irreducible is primary, then condition D 1 holds.*

THEOREM. *The three decomposition theorems and the uniqueness theorems of E. Noether for the ideals of a commutative ring in which the chain condition holds are all valid in an abstract Noether lattice.*

THEOREM. *Condition D 1 is completely independent both of the modular condition, the distributive condition and the chain condition.*

THEOREM. *A necessary and sufficient condition that a finite residuated modular lattice be a Noether lattice is that $a \cdot b = [a, b]$ for all idempotent elements a, b of the lattice.*

THEOREM. *A sufficient condition that a residuated modular lattice in which the ascending chain condition holds be a Noether lattice is*

$$M\ 7. \quad a \cdot [b, c] = [a \cdot b, a \cdot c].$$

The resulting lattice need not be distributive.

5. *Distributive Residuated Lattices.*—Consider a lattice in which one or more of the following conditions hold:

D 2. *If $a \supset b$, there exists at least one element q such that $a \cdot q = b$.*

R 6. $(a:b, b:a) = i$.

R 7. $a:[b, c] = (a:b, a:c)$.

R 8. $(b, c):a = (b:a, c:a)$.

THEOREM. *Every lattice closed with respect to union in which D 2 holds can be residuated, and is distributive.*

THEOREM. *If Σ is a residuated lattice, any one of R 6, R 7, R 8 implies Σ is distributive. R 6 and D 2 implies R 7 and R 8. R 8 implies R 7.*

We call a residuated lattice satisfying D 2 and R 6 *semi-arithmetical*. The properties of such lattices are similar to the instance in Ward 2 where multiplication is cross-cut.

6. *Residuated Group Lattices—Dual Operations.*—On assuming Σ is a semi-group and D_2 , we may pass to the group Γ of quotients a/b . We have made Γ into a residuated lattice having properties R 1–R 8. However the lattice has no unit element.

The existence of a dual residuation and multiplication is completely independent of the existence of the initial residuation and multiplication. An interesting case arises in a residuated lattice containing n if the correspondence $a \rightarrow n:a$ is a negation. The lattice is then distributive, and multiplication and its dual are also distributive with respect to one another.

Proofs of these results will be published elsewhere.

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