

CHARACTERIZATIONS OF THE 0-DISTRIBUTIVE LATTICE

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The 0-distributive lattice is characterized zero using semiideals, ideals and filters.

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1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

The 0-distributive lattice and semilattice have been studied by Varlet⁶, Pawar and Thakare^{3 & 4} and Jayaram². In this paper, we obtain some characterizations of the 0-distributive lattice. For the lattice theoretic concepts which have now become commonplace the reader is referred to Szasz⁵ and Gratzer¹.

We recall that a lattice is a partially ordered set in which any two-element subset has a greatest lower bound (*in finimum*) denoted by \wedge (*meet*) and a least upper bound (*supremum*) denoted by \vee (*join*). Let L be a lattice. A semiideal of L is a nonempty subset A of L such that $a \in A, b \leq a (b \in L) \Rightarrow b \in A$. An ideal of L is a semiideal A of L such that $a, b \in A \Rightarrow a \vee b \in A$. If $a \in L, \{x \in L \mid x \leq a\}$ is an ideal. It is called the principal ideal generated by a and is denoted by (a) . A filter of L is a nonempty subset F of L such that (i) $a \in F, b \geq a (b \in L) \Rightarrow b \in F$ and (ii) $a, b \in F \Rightarrow a \wedge b \in F$. If $a \in L, \{x \in L \mid x \geq a\}$ is a filter. It is called the principal filter generated by a and is denoted by $[a]$. A maximal ideal (filter) of L is a proper ideal (filter) which is not contained in any other proper ideal (filter). A prime semiideal (ideal) is a proper semiideal (ideal). A such that $a \wedge b \in A \Rightarrow a \in A$ or $b \in A$. A minimal prime semiideal (ideal) is a prime semiideal (ideal) which does not contain any other prime semiideal (ideal). A prime filter is a proper filter B such that $a \vee b \in B \Rightarrow a \in B$ or $b \in B$.

Let A be nonempty subset of a lattice L with $0, A^* = \{x \in L \mid a \wedge x = 0 \text{ for all } a \in A\}$ and $A^0 = \{x \in L \mid a \wedge x = 0 \text{ for some } a \in A\}$. Then A^* is called the annihilator of A and A^0 is called the pseudoannihilator of A . If $a \in L$, we write $(a)^*$ for $\{a\}^*$ and $(a)^0$ for $\{a\}^0$. We say that a is dense

if $(a)^* = \{0\}$. If $\text{sup } (a)^* \in (a)^*$, it is called the pseudocomplement of a and is denoted by a^* . A pseudocomplemented lattice is a lattice with 0 in which every element has a pseudocomplement. A normal element of a pseudocomplemented lattice is an element a such that $a = a^{**}$.

The following lemma is easily proved.

Lemma 1.1 — The set $I(L)$ of all ideals of a lattice L forms a lattice under set inclusion as partial ordering relation. For $A, B \in I(L)$, $A \vee B = \{x \mid x \leq a \vee b \text{ for some } a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$ and $A \wedge B = A \cap B = \{a \wedge b \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$. If $\bigcap A_i$ is nonempty for some subset $\{A_i\}$ of $I(L)$, $\bigcap A_i = \wedge A_i$.

Dualizing 1.1, we have :

Lemma 1.2 — The set $F(L)$ of all filters of a lattice L forms a lattice under set inclusion as partial ordering relation. For $A, B \in F(L)$, $A \vee B = \{y \mid y \geq a \wedge b \text{ for some } a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$ and $A \wedge B = A \cap B = \{a \vee b \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$. If $\bigcap A_i$ is nonempty for some subset $\{A_i\}$ of $F(L)$, $\bigcap A_i = \wedge A_i$.

The following two lemmas are contained in Venkatanarasimhan⁷.

Lemma 1.3 — If $\{A_i \mid i \in I\}$ is a family of ideals of a lattice, then

$$\vee A_i = \{x \mid x \leq a_{i_1} \vee \dots \vee a_{i_n}, a_{i_1} \in A_{i_1}, \dots, a_{i_n} \in A_{i_n}; i_1, \dots, i_n \in I\}.$$

A similar result holds for filters.

Lemma 1.4 — Every proper filter of a lattice with 0 is contained in a maximal filter.

The following five lemmas are contained in Venkatanarasimhan⁸.

Lemma 1.5 — Let A be a nonempty proper subset of a lattice L . Then A is a filter if and only if $L - A$ is a prime semiideal.

Lemma 1.6 — Let A be a nonempty subset of a lattice L . Then A is a maximal filter if and only if $L - A$ is a minimal prime semiideal.

Lemma 1.7 — Any prime semiideal of a lattice with 0 contains a minimal prime semiideal.

Lemma 1.8 — Let A be a nonempty subset of a lattice with 0. Then A^* is the intersection of all the minimal prime semiideals not containing A .

Lemma 1.9 — Any normal semiideal of a lattice with 0 is the intersection of all the minimal prime semiideals containing it.

The following lemma is contained in Pawar and Thakare³.

Lemma 1.10 — Let A be a proper filter of a lattice L with 0. Then A is maximal if and only if for each x in $L - A$, there is some a in A such that $a \wedge x = 0$.

The following lemma is easily proved.

Lemma 1.11 — Let A be a nonempty subset of a lattice L with 0 and $x \in L$. Then A^* and A^0 are semiideals of L and $[x]^* = [x]^0 = (x)^0 = (x)^*$.

Lemma 1.12 — Let A and B be filters of a lattice L with 0 such that A and B^0 and disjoint from A .

PROOF : It is easily seen that $A \vee B$ is a proper filter of L . Hence by Lemma 1.4, $A \vee B \subseteq M$ for some maximal filter M . Now $B \subseteq M$ and consequently $M \cap B^0 = \phi$. By Lemma 1.6, $L - M$ is a minimal prime semiideal. Clearly $B^0 \subseteq L - M$ and $(L - M) \cap A = \phi$.

Lemma 1.13 — Let A be a filter of a lattice L with 0 . Then A^0 is the intersection of all the minimal prime semiideals disjoint from A .

PROOF : Let N be any minimal prime semiideal disjoint from A . If $x \in A^0$, then $x \wedge a = 0$ for some $a \in A$ and so $x \in N$.

Let $y \in L - A^0$. Then $a \wedge y \neq 0$ for all $a \in A$. Hence, $A \vee [y] \neq L$. By Lemma 1.4, $A \vee [y] \subseteq M$ for some maximal filter M . By Lemma 1.6, $L - M$ is a minimal prime semiideal. Clearly $(L - M) \cap A = \emptyset$ and $y \notin L - M$.

*Lemma 1.14*⁵ — Let $I(L)$ be the lattice of ideals of a lattice L . Then for any $A_1, \dots, A_n \in I(L)$

$$A_1 \vee \dots \vee A_n = \{x \in L \mid x \leq a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_n, a_j \in A_j, j = 1, \dots, n\}$$

and $A_1 \wedge \dots \wedge A_n = A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n = \{a_1 \wedge \dots \wedge a_n, a_j \in A_j, j = 1, \dots, n\}$.

Dualizing 1.14 we have

Lemma 1.15 — Let $F(L)$ be the lattice of filters of a lattice L . Then for any $A_1, \dots, A_n \in F(L)$

$$A_1 \vee \dots \vee A_n = \{y \mid y \geq a_1 \wedge \dots \wedge a_n, a_j \in A_j, j = 1, \dots, n\}$$

and $A_1 \wedge \dots \wedge A_n = A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n = \{a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_n, a_j \in A_j, j = 1, \dots, n\}$.

Lemma 1.16 — Let A be a nonempty proper subset of a lattice L . Then A is a prime ideal if and only if $L - A$ is a prime filter.

PROOF : Suppose A is a prime ideal. By Lemma 1.5, $L - A$ is a filter. Let $x, y \in L - (L - A) = A$. Then $x \vee y \in A = L - (L - A)$. Thus $L - A$ is a prime filter. Suppose $L - A$ is a prime filter. By Lemma 1.5, $A = L - (L - A)$ is a prime semiideal. Let $x, y \in A = L - (L - A)$. Then $x \vee y \in L - (L - A) = A$ since $L - A$ is prime. Thus A is a prime ideal.

2. DEFINITION AND EXAMPLES

Definition 2.1 — A 0-distributive lattice is a lattice with 0 in which $a \wedge b = 0 = a \wedge c$ implies $a \wedge (b \vee c) = 0$.

Definition 2.2 — A 1-distributive lattice is a lattice with 1 in which $a \vee b = 1 = a \vee c$ implies $a \vee (b \wedge c) = 1$.

Definition 2.3 — A 0 & 1-distributive lattice is a lattice which is both 0-distributive and 1-distributive.

The following theorem is obvious.

Theorem 2.4 — Any distributive lattice with $0(1)$ is 0-distributive (1-distributive). In particular every finite distributive lattice is 0 & 1-distributive.

Theorem 2.5 — Any pseudocomplemented lattice is 0-distributive.

PROOF : Let L be a pseudocomplemented lattice and $a, b, c \in L$ such that $a \wedge b = 0 = a \wedge c$. Then $b \leq a^*$ and $c \leq a^*$. Hence, $b \vee c \leq a^*$. It follows that $a \wedge (b \vee c) = 0$. Thus L is 0-distributive.

Theorem 2.6 — *Let a, a_1, \dots, a_n be elements of a 0-distributive lattice L such that $a \wedge a_1 = \dots = a \wedge a_n = 0$. Then $a \wedge (a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_n) = 0$.*

PROOF : Since L is 0-distributive, $a \wedge (a_1 \vee a_2) = 0$. Assume $a \wedge (a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_{k-1}) = 0$ for $2 < k \leq n$. Then $a \wedge (a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_{k-1}) \vee a_k = a \wedge (b \vee a_k)$ where $b = a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_{k-1}$. By our induction hypothesis $a \wedge b = 0$. Also $a \wedge a_k = 0$. Hence, $a \wedge (b \vee a_k) = 0$ as L is 0-distributive. That is $a \wedge (a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_k) = 0$. Thus the theorem follows by induction.

Theorem 2.7 — *Any finite 0-distributive lattice is pseudocomplemented.*

PROOF : Let L be a finite 0-distributive lattice and $a \in L$. Since L is finite, $(a)^*$ is finite. Let $(a)^* = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ and $b = a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_n$. By Theorem 2.6, $b \in (a)^*$. Hence, b is the pseudocomplement of a .

Remark 2.8 : Dualizing Theorems 2.5, 2.6 and 2.7 we get the corresponding theorems, for 1-distributive lattice.

We give below an example of a 0 & 1 - distributive lattice which is neither distributive nor pseudocomplemented.

Example 2.9 — Let $L = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup \{0, 1\}$ where C_1 and C_2 are two infinite chains without least and greatest elements. Define an ordering on L as follows. For all $c_1 \in C_1$ and $c_2 \in C_2$, $c_1 \parallel c_2$, $0 < c_1 < 1$ and $0 < c_2 < 1$. Clearly L is a 0 & 1 - distributive lattice. But L is neither distributive nor pseudocomplemented.

The following is an example of a bounded lattice which is neither 0-distributive nor 1-distributive.

Example 2.10 — Let $L = \{0, a, b, c, 1\}$. Define an ordering on L as follows. $0 \leq a, b, c \leq 1$, $a \parallel b$, $a \parallel c$ and $b \parallel c$. Clearly L is a lattice which is neither 0-distributive nor 1-distributive.

3. CHARACTERIZATIONS

Theorem 3.1 — *Let L be a lattice with 0. Then the following statements are equivalent :*

1. L is 0-distributive.
2. If a, a_1, \dots, a_n are elements of L such that $a \wedge a_1 = \dots = a \wedge a_n = 0$, then $a \wedge (a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_n) = 0$.
3. If A is an ideal and $\{A_i \mid i \in I\}$ is a family of ideals of L such that $A \cap A_i = \{0\}$ for all i , then $A \cap (\bigwedge_{i \in I} A_i) = \{0\}$.
4. Every maximal filter of L is prime.
5. If M is a maximal filter of L , $L - M$ is a minimal prime ideal.
6. If M is a maximal filter of L , $L - M$ is an ideal.
7. Every minimal prime semiideal of L is a minimal prime ideal.
8. Every prime semiideal of L contains a prime ideal.
9. Every proper filter of L is disjoint from a minimal prime ideal.
10. Every proper filter of L is disjoint from a prime ideal.
11. Every proper filter of L is contained in a prime filter.
12. For each nonzero element a of L , there is a minimal prime ideal not containing a .
13. For each nonzero element a of L , there is a prime ideal not containing a .
14. Each nonzero element of L is contained in a prime filter.

PROOF : (1) \Rightarrow (2) — Follows by Theorem 2.6.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) — Suppose (2) holds. Let $A \in I(L)$ and $\{A_i, i \in I\} \subseteq I(L)$ such that $A \cap A_i = (0)$ for all i . Let $x \in A \cap \{\bigvee_{i \in I} A_i\}$. Then $x \in A$ and $x \in \bigvee_{i \in I} A_i$. Hence, $x \leq a_{i_1} \vee \dots \vee a_{i_n}$ for some $a_{i_j} \in A_{i_j}$ and $x \wedge a_{i_j} = 0$ for all a_{i_j} . By (2) $x \wedge (a_{i_1} \vee \dots \vee a_{i_n}) = 0$. That is $x = 0$. Thus $A \cap (\bigvee_{i \in I} A_i) = (0)$.

(3) \Rightarrow (2) — It suffices to note that $(a] \cap (a_i] = (a \wedge a_i]$ and $(a] \cap \{a_1] \vee \dots \vee (a_n] \} = (a \wedge (a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_n))]$.

(2) \Rightarrow (4) — Suppose (2) holds. Let M be any maximal filter of L and $x, y \in L - M$. Then by Lemma 1.10, $a \wedge x = 0 = b \wedge y$ for some $a, b \in M$. Let $c = a \wedge b$. Clearly $c \wedge x = 0 = c \wedge y$ and $c \in M$. By (2) $c \wedge (x \vee y) = 0$. Hence $x \vee y \in L - M$. Thus M is prime.

(4) \Rightarrow (5) — Suppose (4) holds and let M be any maximal filter of L . By Lemma 1.6, $L - M$ is a minimal prime semiideal. Let $x, y \in L - M$. By (4) $x \vee y \in L - M$. Hence, $L - M$ is an ideal. It follows that $L - M$ is a minimal prime ideal.

(5) \Rightarrow (6) — Obvious.

(6) \Rightarrow (7) — Let N be any animal prime semiideal of L . By Lemma 1.6, $L - N$ is a maximal filter. By (6), $N = L - (L - N)$ is an ideal. Thus N is a minimal prime ideal.

(7) \Rightarrow (8) — Suppose (7) holds and let A be any prime semiideal of L . By Lemma 1.7, $A \supseteq N$ for some minimal prime semiideal N . By (7), N is a (minimal) prime ideal.

(8) \Rightarrow (10) — Suppose (8) holds and let A be any proper filter of L . By Lemma 1.5, $L - A$ is a prime semiideal. By (8) $L - A \supseteq B$ for some prime ideal B . Clearly, $A \cap B = \phi$.

(10) \Rightarrow (11) — Suppose (10) holds and let A be any proper filter of L . By (10), $A \cap B = \phi$ for some prime ideal B . By Lemma 1.16, $L - B$ is a prime filter and clearly $A \subseteq L - B$.

(11) \Rightarrow (14) — Obvious.

(5) \Rightarrow (9) — Suppose (5) holds and let A be any proper filter of L . By Lemma 1.4, $A \subseteq M$ for some maximal filter M . By (5), $L - M$ is a minimal prime ideal and clearly $A \cap (L - M) = \phi$.

(9) \Rightarrow (12) — Suppose (9) holds and let a be any nonzero element of L . By (9), $[a]$ is disjoint from a minimal prime ideal N . Thus $a \notin N$.

(12) \Rightarrow (13) — Obvious.

(13) \Rightarrow (14) — Suppose (13) holds and let a be any nonzero element of L . By (13), there is a prime ideal A such that $a \notin A$. By Lemma 1.16, $L - A$ is a prime filter and clearly $a \in L - A$.

(14) \Rightarrow (1) — Suppose (14) holds. Let $a, b, c \in L$ such that $a \wedge (b \vee c) \neq 0$. By (14), $a \wedge (b \vee c) \in B$ for some prime filter B . Clearly $a, b \vee c \in B$ and so $a, b \in B$ or $a, c \in B$. Hence, $a \wedge b \in B$ or $a \wedge c \in B$. Consequently $a \wedge b \neq 0$ or $a \wedge c \neq 0$. It follows that L is 0-distributive.

Theorem 3.2 — Let L be a lattice with 0. Then the following statements are equivalent :-

1. L is 0-distributive.
2. If A is a nonempty subset of L and B is a proper filter intersecting A , there is a minimal prime ideal containing A^* and disjoint from B .
3. If A is a nonempty subset of L and B is a proper filter intersecting A , there is a prime filter containing B and disjoint from A^* .

4. If A is a nonempty subset of L and B is a prime semiideal not containing A , there is a minimal prime ideal containing A^* and contained in B .

5. If A is a nonempty subset of L and B is a prime semiideal not containing A , there is a prime filter containing $L - B$ and disjoint from A^* .

6. For each nonzero element a of L and each proper filter B containing a , there is a prime ideal containing $(a)^*$ and disjoint from B .

7. For each nonzero element a of L and each proper filter B containing a , there is a prime filter containing B and disjoint from $(a)^*$.

8. For each nonzero element a of L and each prime semiideal B not containing a , there is a prime ideal containing $(a)^*$ and contained in B .

9. For each nonzero element a of L and each prime semiideal B not containing a , there is a prime filter containing $L - B$ and disjoint from $(a)^*$.

PROOF : (1) \Rightarrow (2) — Suppose (1) holds. Let A be a nonempty subset of L and B be any proper filter such that $B \cap A \neq \emptyset$. By Lemma 1.5, $L - B$ is a prime semiideal and by Lemma 1.7, $L - B \supseteq N$ for some minimal prime semiideal N . Clearly, $N \cap B = \emptyset$. Also $L - B \supseteq A$ and so $N \supseteq A$. By Lemma 1.8, $N \supseteq A^*$. Since L is 0-distributive N is a minimal prime ideal [See Theorem 3.1 (7)].

By Lemma 1.16, it follows that (2) \Rightarrow (3), (8) \Rightarrow (9) and (6) \Rightarrow (7).

By Lemma 1.5, it follows that (3) \Rightarrow (5), (2) \Rightarrow (4) and (7) \Rightarrow (9).

By Lemma 1.11, it follows that (5) \Rightarrow (9), (4) \Rightarrow (8) and (2) \Rightarrow (6).

(9) \Rightarrow (1) — Suppose (9) holds and let a be any nonzero element of L . By Lemma 1.5, $L - [a]$ is a prime semiideal and $a \notin L - [a]$. By (9) prime filter B containing $[a]$. Thus $a \in B$. It follows that L is 0-distributive [See Theorem 3.1 (14)].

Theorem 3.3 — Let L be lattice with 0. Then the following statements are equivalent —

1. L is 0-distributive.

2. If A and B are filters of L such that A and B^0 are disjoint, there is a minimal prime ideal containing B^0 and disjoint from A .

3. If A and B are filters of L such that A and B^0 are disjoint, there is a prime filter containing A and disjoint from B^0 .

4. If A is a filter of L and B is a prime semiideal containing A^0 , there is a minimal prime ideal containing A^0 and contained in B .

5. If A is a filter of L and B is a prime semiideal containing A^0 , there is a prime filter containing $L - B$ and disjoint from A^0 .

6. For each nonzero element a in L and each filter A disjoint from $(a)^*$, there is a prime ideal containing $(a)^*$ and disjoint from A .

7. For each nonzero element a in L and each filter A disjoint from $(a)^*$, there is a prime filter containing A and disjoint from $(a)^*$.

8. For each nonzero element a in L and each prime semiideal B containing $(a)^*$, there is a prime ideal containing $(a)^*$ and contained in B .

9. For each nonzero element a in L and each prime semiideal B containing $(a)^*$, there is a prime filter containing $L - B$ and disjoint from $(a)^*$.

PROOF : (1) \Rightarrow (2) — Suppose (1) holds. Let A and B be filters of L such that $A \cap B^0 = \emptyset$. By Lemma 1.12, there is a minimal prime semiideal N such that $N \supseteq B^0$ and $N \cap A = \emptyset$. Since L is 0-distributive it follows that N is a minimal prime ideal [See Theorem 3.1 (7)].

By Lemma 1.5, it follows that (3) \Rightarrow (5), (2) \Rightarrow (4) and (7) \Rightarrow (9).

By Lemma 1.11, it follows that (5) \Rightarrow (9), (4) \Rightarrow (8) and (2) \Rightarrow (6).

By Lemma 1.16, it follows that (2) \Rightarrow (3), (8) \Rightarrow (9) and (6) \Rightarrow (7).

(9) \Rightarrow (1) — Suppose (9) holds and let a be any nonzero element of L . By Lemma 1.5, $L - [a]$ is prime semiideal not containing a . Since $[a] \cap (a)^* = \{0\} \subset L - [a]$ it follows that $L - [a]$ contains $(a)^*$. By (9), there is a prime filter B containing $[a] = L - (L - [a])$ and disjoint from $(a)^*$. Clearly $a \in B$. It follows that L is a 0-distributive [See Theorem 3.1 (14)].

Theorem 3.4 — *Let L be a lattice with 0. Then the following statements are equivalent :*

1. L is 0-distributive.
2. For any nonempty subset A of L , A^* is the intersection of all the minimal prime ideals not containing A .
3. For any filter A of L , A^0 is the intersection of all the minimal prime ideals disjoint from A .
4. For each a in L , $(a)^*$ is an ideal.
5. Every normal semiideal of L is an intersection of minimal prime ideals.
6. For any ideal A of L and any family of ideals $\{A_i \mid i \in I\}$ of L ,

$$\left(A \cap \left(\bigvee_{i \in I} A_i \right) \right)^* = \bigcap_{i \in I} (A \cap A_i)^*.$$

7. For any three ideals A, B, C of L ,

$$(A \cap (B \vee C))^* = (A \cap B)^* \cap (A \cap C)^*.$$

8. For any finite number of filters A, A_1, \dots, A_n of L ,

$$(A \vee (A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n))^0 = (A \vee A_1)^0 \cap \dots \cap (A \vee A_n)^0.$$

9. For any three filters A, B, C of L ,

$$(A \vee (B \cap C))^0 = (A \vee B)^0 \cap (A \vee C)^0.$$

10. For all a, b, c in L , $(a \wedge (b \vee c))^* = (a \wedge b)^* \cap (a \wedge c)^*$.

PROOF : (1) \Rightarrow (2) — Follows by Lemma 1.8 and Theorem 3.1 (7).

(1) \Rightarrow (3) — Follows by Lemma 1.13 and Theorem 3.7 (7).

(3) \Rightarrow (4) — By Lemma 1.11, $(a)^* = [a]^0$. Hence result.

(4) \Rightarrow (1) — Suppose (4) holds. Let $a, b, c \in L$ such that $a \wedge b = 0 = a \wedge c$. Then $b, c \in (a)^*$. By (4), $b \vee c \in (a)^*$. It follows that $a \wedge (b \vee c) = 0$. Thus L is 0-distributive.

(2) \Rightarrow (5) — Since a semiideal A of L is normal if and only if $A = B^*$ for some semiideal B it follows that (2) \Rightarrow (5).

(5) \Rightarrow (4) — By Lemma 1.11, $(a)^* = [a]^*$ for all $a \in L$. Hence the result.

(2) \Rightarrow (6) — Suppose (2) holds. Let $A \in I(L)$ and $\{A_i | i \in I\} \subseteq I(L)$. If Q is any minimal prime ideal of L such that $Q \supseteq A \cap \left(\bigvee_{i \in I} A_i \right)$, then $Q \supseteq A \cap A_j$ for some $j \in I$. By (2) it follows

that $\left(A \cap \left(\bigvee_{i \in I} A_i \right) \right)^* \supseteq (A \cap A_j)^*$. The reverse inclusion is obvious.

(6) \Rightarrow (7) — Obvious.

(7) \Rightarrow (10) — Follows by Lemma 1.11.

(10) \Rightarrow (1) — Suppose (10) holds. Let $a, b, c \in L$ such that $a \wedge b = 0 = a \wedge c$. Then $(a \wedge b)^* = L = (a \wedge c)^*$. By (10), $(a \wedge (b \vee c))^* = L$. It follows that $a \wedge (b \vee c) = 0$. Thus L is 0-distributive.

(3) \Rightarrow (8) — Suppose (3) holds and let A, A_1, \dots, A_n be filters of L . If Q is any minimal prime ideal of L such that $Q \cap (A \vee (A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n)) = \phi$, then $Q \cap A = \phi = Q \cap (A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n)$ and so $Q \cap (A \vee A_j) = \phi$ for some $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. By (3) it follows that $(A \vee (A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n))^0 \supseteq (A \vee A_j)^0 \cap \dots \cap (A \vee A_n)^0$. The reverse inclusion is obvious.

(8) \Rightarrow (9) — Obvious.

(9) \Rightarrow (10) — Suppose (9) holds and let $a, b, c \in L$. Then $([a] \vee ([b] \cap [c]))^0 = ([a] \vee [b])^0 \cap ([a] \vee [c])^0$. Now $([a] \vee ([b] \cap [c]))^0 = ([a] \vee [b \vee c])^0 = [a \wedge (b \vee c)]^0 = (a \wedge (b \vee c))^*$ and $([a] \vee [b])^0 \cap ([a] \vee [c])^0 = [a \wedge b]^0 \cap [a \wedge c]^0 = (a \wedge b)^* \cap (a \wedge c)^*$ by Lemma 1.11.

Thus $(a \wedge (b \vee c))^* = (a \wedge b)^* \cap (a \wedge c)^*$.

Theorem 3.5 — Let L be a lattice with 0. Then the following statements are equivalent :

1. L is 0-distributive.
2. For any finite number of ideals A, A_1, \dots, A_n of L ,

$$((A \vee A_1) \cap \dots \cap (A \vee A_n))^* = A^* \cap (A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n)^*.$$

3. For any three ideals A, B, C of L ,

$$((A \vee B) \cap (A \vee C))^* = A^* \cap (B \cap C)^*.$$

4. For any filter A and any family of filters $\{A_i | i \in I\}$ of L ,

$$\left(\bigvee_{i \in I} (A \cap A_i) \right)^0 = A^0 \cap \left(\bigvee_{i \in I} A_i \right)^0.$$

5. For any three filters A, B, C of L ,

$$((A \cap B) \vee (A \cap C))^0 = A^0 \cap (B \vee C)^0.$$

6. For all a, b, c in L ,

$$((a \vee b) \wedge (a \vee c))^* = (a)^* \cap (b \wedge c)^*.$$

7. For any family of ideals $\{A_i, i \in I\}$ of L ,

$$\left(\bigvee_{i \in I} A_i \right)^* = \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i^*.$$

8. For any two ideals A, B of L , $(A \vee B)^* = A^* \cap B^*$.

9. For any finite number of filters A_1, \dots, A_n of L , $(A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n)^0 = A_1^0 \cap \dots \cap A_n^0$.

10. For any two filters A, B of L , $(A \cap B)^0 = A^0 \cap B^0$.

11. For all a, b in L , $(a \vee b)^* = (a)^* \cap (b)^*$.

12. $I(L)$ is pseudocomplemented.

13. $I(L)$ is 0-distributive.

PROOF : (1) \Rightarrow (2) — Suppose (1) holds and let A, A_1, \dots, A_n be ideals of L . If Q is any minimal prime ideal of L such that $Q \supseteq A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n$. It follows that $((A \vee A_1) \cap \dots \cap (A \vee A_n))^* \supseteq A^* \cap (A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n)^*$. The reverse inclusion is obvious.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) — Obvious.

(3) \Rightarrow (6) — Suppose (3) holds and let $a, b, s \in L$. Then $(([a] \vee [b]) \cap ([a] \vee [c]))^* = [a]^* \cap ([b] \cap [c])^*$. Now $(([a] \vee [b]) \cap ([a] \cap ([a] \vee [c])))^* = ((a \vee b) \cap (a \vee c))^* = ((a \vee b) \wedge (a \vee c))^* = ((a \vee b) \wedge (a \vee c))^*$ and $[a]^* \cap ([b] \cap [c])^* = (a)^* \cap (b \wedge c)^* = (a)^* \cap (b \wedge c)^*$ by Lemma 1.11. Thus $((a \vee b) \wedge (a \vee c))^* = (a)^* \cap (b \wedge c)^*$.

(6) \Rightarrow (11) — Follows by taking $c = b$ in (6).

(11) \Rightarrow (1) — Suppose (11) holds. Let $a, b, c \in L$ such that $a \wedge b = 0 = a \wedge c$. Then $a \in (b)^* \cap (c)^* = (b \vee c)^*$ by (11). It follows that $a \wedge (b \vee c) = 0$.

(1) \Rightarrow (4) — Suppose (1) holds. Then for any filter A of L , A^0 is the intersection of all the minimal prime ideals disjoint from A [See Theorem 3.4 (3)]. Let $A \in F(L)$ and $\{A_i \mid i \in I\} \subseteq F(L)$. If Q is any minimal prime ideal of L such that $Q \cap \left(\bigvee_{i \in I} (A \cap A_i) \right) = \phi$, then $Q \cap A = \phi$ or $Q \cap \left(\bigvee_{i \in I} A_i \right) = \phi$. It follows that $\left(\bigvee_{i \in I} (A \cap A_i) \right)^0 = A^0 \cap \left(\bigvee_{i \in I} A_i \right)^0$. The reverse inclusion is obvious.

(4) \Rightarrow (5) — Obvious.

(5) \Rightarrow (6) — Similar to (3) \Rightarrow (6) with obvious modifications.

(1) \Rightarrow (7) — Suppose (1) holds. Then for any ideal A and any family of ideals $\{A_i \mid i \in I\}$ of L , $\left(A \cap \left(\bigvee_{i \in I} A_i \right) \right)^* = \bigcap_{i \in I} (A \cap A_i)^*$ [See Theorem 3.4(6)]. Taking $A = \bigvee_{i \in I} A_i$, we get (7).

(7) \Rightarrow (8) — Obvious.

(8) \Rightarrow (11) — Suppose (8) holds and let $a, b \in L$. Then $((a] \vee (b))^* = (a]^* \cap (b]^*$. Now $((a] \vee (b))^* = (a \vee b]^* = (a \vee b)^*$ and $(a]^* \cap (b]^* = (a)^* \cap (b)^*$ by Lemma 1.11. Thus $(a \vee b)^* = (a)^* \cap (b)^*$.

(1) \Rightarrow (9) — Suppose (1) holds. Then for any finite number of filter A, A_1, \dots, A_n of L , $(A \vee (A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n))^0 = (A \vee A_1)^0 \cap \dots \cap (A \vee A_n)^0$ [See Theorem 3.4(8)]. Taking $A = A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n$, we get (9).

(9) \Rightarrow (10) — Obvious.

(10) \Rightarrow (11) — Suppose (10) holds and let $a, b \in L$. Then $((a] \cap (b))^0 = [a]^0 \cap [b]^0$. Now $((a] \cap (b))^0 = [a \vee b]^0 = (a \vee b)^*$ and $[a]^0 \cap [b]^0 = (a)^* \cap (b)^*$ by Lemma 1.11. Thus $(a \vee b)^* = (a)^* \cap (b)^*$.

(1) \Rightarrow (12) — Suppose (1) holds. Let $A \in I(L)$. Then A^* is an ideal [See Theorem 3.4 (2)]. If $B \in I(L)$ such that $A \cap B = (0]$ and $x \in B$, then $a \wedge x = 0$ for all $a \in A$ and so $x \in A^*$. Thus $B \subseteq A^*$. It follows that A^* is the pseudocomplement of A .

(12) \Rightarrow (13) — Follows by Theorem 2.5.

(13) \Rightarrow (1) — Suppose (13) holds. Let $a, b, c \in L$ such that $a \wedge b = 0 = a \wedge c$. Then $(a] \cap (b] = (0] = (a] \cap (c]$ and hence by (13), $(a] \cap \{(b] \vee (c)\} = (0]$. That is $(a \wedge (b \vee c)) = (0]$. Consequently $a \wedge (b \vee c) = 0$.

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