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# RADICAL CLASSES OF DISTRIBUTIVE LATTICES HAVING THE LEAST ELEMENT

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Abstract. Let  $\mathcal{D}$  be the system of all distributive lattices and let  $\mathcal{D}_0$  be the system of all  $L \in \mathcal{D}$  such that L possesses the least element. Further, let  $\mathcal{D}_1$  be the system of all infinitely distributive lattices belonging to  $\mathcal{D}_0$ . In the present paper we investigate the radical classes of the systems  $\mathcal{D}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}_0$  and  $\mathcal{D}_1$ .

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Radical classes of generalized Boolean algebras have been studied in [15]. A nonempty subclass X of the class  $\mathcal{B}_0$  of all generalized Boolean algebras is called a radical class if it is closed with respect to isomorphisms, convex subalgebras and joins of convex subalgebras.

Earlier, radical classes of other types of ordered algebraic structures have been dealt with (under the definitions analogous to that given above); namely, the radical classes of lattice ordered groups and linearly ordered groups (cf. [1], [3]–[13], [17], [21]; see also Section 9.5 of the monograph [19]), convergence lattice ordered groups [14], cyclically ordered groups [18] and MV-algebras [16].

The reviewer of the paper [15] (Math. Reviews, 99m:06024) proposed to investigate the question what are radical classes in the systems of distributive lattices, lattice ordered semi-rings and autometrized algebras.

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Let  $\mathcal{D}$  be the system of all distributive lattices. Further, let  $\mathcal{D}_0$  be the system of all  $L \in \mathcal{D}$  such that L has the least element.

The aim of the present paper is to investigate the radical classes in the systems  $\mathcal{D}$ and  $\mathcal{D}_0$ .

We show that there exists exactly one radical class in the system  $\mathcal{D}$  (namely,  $\mathcal{D}$ ) and that there are many radical classes of elements of  $\mathcal{D}_0$  (namely, there exists an injective mapping of the class of all infinite cardinals into  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$ , where  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$  is the collection of all radical classes of elements of  $\mathcal{D}_0$ .)

We deal also with the radical classes of the system  $\mathcal{D}_1$  consisting of all infinitely distributive lattices which have the least element; here we generalize a result of [15].

#### 2. Preliminaries

We start by considering the system  $\mathcal{D}$ . Let  $L \in \mathcal{D}$  and  $\emptyset \neq L_1 \subseteq L$ . If  $L_1$  is a sublattice of L, then it is said to be a subalgebra of L (with respect to  $\mathcal{D}$ ). A subset  $L_2 \subseteq L$  is convex in L if  $z \in L_2$ , whenever  $z_1, z_2 \in L_2$ ,  $x \in L$  and  $z_1 \leq x \leq z_2$ .

We denote by c(L) the system of all convex subalgebras of L. Further, let  $c'(L) = c(L) \cup \{\emptyset\}$ . The system c'(L) is partially ordered by the set-theoretical inclusion.

Let  $\emptyset \neq \{L_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq c'(L)$ . Put  $L^1 = \bigcap_{i \in I} L_i$ ,  $L^2 = \bigcap_{j \in J} L'_j$ , where  $\{L'_j\}_{j \in J}$  is the system of all upper bounds of  $\{L_i\}_{i \in I}$  in c'(L). Then  $L^1$  and  $L^2$  is the meet and the join, respectively, of the system  $\{L_i\}_{i \in I}$  in c'(L). Hence c'(L) is a complete lattice. We denote  $L^1 = \bigwedge_{i \in I}^1 L_i$ ,  $L^2 = \bigvee_{i \in I}^1 L_i$ . It is clear that  $L^2 \supseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} L_i$ .

**2.1. Definition.** A nonempty class X of distributive lattices is called a *radical* class (with respect to  $\mathcal{D}$ ) if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i) X is closed with respect to isomorphisms;
- (ii) whenever  $L \in X$  and  $L_1 \in c(L)$ , then  $L_1 \in X$ ;
- (iii) whenever  $L \in \mathcal{D}$  and  $\emptyset \neq \{L_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq c(L) \cap X$ , then  $\bigvee_{i \in I}^1 L_i \in X$ .

**2.2.** Proposition. Let X be a radical class of distributive lattices (with respect to  $\mathcal{D}$ ). Then  $X = \mathcal{D}$ .

Proof. There exists  $L \in X$ . Choose any  $x \in L$  and let  $L_1$  be an arbitrary element of  $\mathcal{D}$ . Then  $\{x\} \in c(L)$ , whence  $\{x\} \in X$ . Thus all one-element lattices belong to X. Let us express the lattice  $L_1$  as  $L_1 = \{y_i\}_{i \in I}$ . We have  $\bigvee_{i \in I}^1 \{y_i\} = L_1$ , whence  $L_1 \in X$ . Therefore  $X = \mathcal{D}$ .

Now let us consider the system  $\mathcal{D}_0$ . Let  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$ ; the least element of L will be denoted by  $0_L$  (or by 0, if no misunderstanding can occur). A sublattice  $L_1$  of L will be called a subalgebra of L if  $0_L \in L_1$ . We denote by  $c_0(L)$  the system of all convex subalgebras of L; this system is partially ordered by the set-theoretical inclusion.

Similarly as in the case of c(L) for  $L \in \mathcal{D}$ , we can verify that for each  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$ ,  $c_0(L)$  is a complete lattice. The lattice operations in  $c_0(L)$  will be denoted by  $\wedge^0$ and  $\vee^0$ . If  $\{L_i\}_{i\in I}$  is a nonempty subsystem of  $c_0(L)$ , then  $\bigwedge_{i\in I}^0 L_i = \bigcap_{i\in I} L_i$ .

**2.3. Lemma.** Let  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$  and  $\emptyset \neq \{L_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq c_0(L)$ . Let Z be the set of all  $z \in L$  such that there exist  $z_1, z_2, \ldots, z_n \in \bigcup_{i \in I} L_i$  with  $z = z_1 \lor z_2 \lor \ldots \lor z_n$ . Then

$$Z = \bigvee_{i \in I}^{0} L_i$$

Proof. Let z and z' be elements of Z. For z we apply the notation as above; further, let  $z' = z'_1 \lor z'_2 \lor \ldots \lor z'_m$  (under analogous assumptions). Then we have

$$z \lor z' = z_1 \lor \ldots \lor z_n \lor z'_1 \lor \ldots \lor z'_m,$$

whence  $z \lor z' \in Z$ . Further,

$$z \wedge z' = \bigvee (z_k \wedge z'_j) \quad (k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}).$$

For each  $k \in \{1, 2, ..., n\}$  there is  $i(k) \in I$  with  $z_k \in L_{i(k)}$ , thus  $z_k \wedge z'_j \in L_{i(k)}$  for each  $j \in \{1, 2, ..., m\}$ . Therefore  $z \wedge z' \in Z$  and hence Z is a sublattice of L.

Let  $z \in Z$ ,  $x \in L$ ,  $x \leq z$ . Then (under the notation as above)

$$x = x \land z = (x \land z_1) \lor \ldots \lor (x \land z_n)$$

yielding that  $x \in Z$ . Thus Z belongs to  $c_0(L)$ .

Clearly  $L_i \leq Z$  for each  $i \in I$ . Assume that  $Z_1 \in c_0(L)$  and  $L_i \leq Z_1$  for each  $i \in I$ . Let z be as above. Then  $z \in Z_1$ , whence  $Z \leq Z_1$ . This shows that Z is the join of the system  $\{L_i\}_{i \in I}$  in  $c_0(L)$ .

**2.4. Definition.** Let X be a nonempty class of lattices belonging to  $\mathcal{D}_0$ . Assume that X is closed with respect to isomorphisms and that it satisfies the following conditions:

(iio) Whenever  $L \in X$  and  $L_1 \in c_0(L)$ , then  $L_1 \in X$ .

(iii\_0) Whenever  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$  and  $\{L_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq c_0(L) \cap X$ , then  $\bigvee_{i \in I} L_i \in X$ .

Under these conditions we call X a radical class (in  $\mathcal{D}_0$ ).

In what follows, mainly radical classes in  $\mathcal{D}_0$  will be considered (thus the words 'in  $\mathcal{D}_0$ ' will be omitted when no misunderstancing can occur).

We denote by  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$  the collection of all radical classes; for  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  belonging to  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$  we put  $X_1 \leq X_2$  if  $X_1$  is a subclass of  $X_2$ . Thus we can consider the partial order  $\leq$  on  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$ . Then we have

**2.5. Lemma.**  $\mathcal{D}_0$  is the greatest element of  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$ . The class  $X_0$  consisting of all one-element lattices is the least element of  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$ .

Let T be a nonempty subclass of  $\mathcal{D}_0$  which is closed with respect to isomorphisms. We denote by  $c_0T$  the class of all lattices L having the property that there exists  $L_1 \in T$  such that  $L \in c_0(L_1)$ .

Further, let  $j_0T$  be the class of all lattices L which can be written as  $L = \bigvee_{i \in I}^0 L_i$ , where  $L_i \in c_0(L) \cap T$  for each  $i \in I$ .

It is obvious that the relations

(\*) 
$$c_0 c_0 T = c_0 T, \quad j_0 j_0 T = j_0 T$$

are satisfied. Moreover, both  $c_0T$  and  $j_0T$  are closed with respect to isomorphisms.

**2.6. Lemma.** Let T be as above. Then  $c_0 j_0 c_0 T = j_0 c_0 T$ .

Proof. This is an easy consequence of 2.3.

**2.7. Lemma.** Let  $\emptyset \neq T \subseteq \mathcal{D}_0$ . Assume that T is closed with respect to isomorphisms.

- (i)  $j_0 c_0 T$  is a radical class.
- (ii) If X is a radical class and  $T \subseteq X$ , then  $j_0 c_0 T \subseteq X$ .

Proof. The class  $j_0c_0T$  is closed with respect to isomorphisms. Thus from (\*) and 2.6 we obtain that (i) holds.

Let  $T \subseteq X$ , where X is a radical class. Then  $j_0c_0T \subseteq j_0c_0X = X$ .

From 2.7 and from the definition 2.4 we conclude

**2.8.** Theorem. Let X be a subclass of  $\mathcal{D}_0$  which is closed with respect to isomorphisms. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i)  $X \in R(\mathcal{D}_0)$ .
- (ii) There exists  $\emptyset \neq T \subseteq \mathcal{D}_0$  such that T is closed with respect to isomorphisms and  $X = j_0 c_0 T$ .

2.9. E x a m ple. Let T be the class of all chains having the least element. Then  $c_0 j_0 T$  is a radical class. (E.g., the lattice L on Fig.1 belongs to  $j_0 c_0 T$ , the lattice dual to L does not belong to  $c_0 j_0 T$ .)



In view of 2.7 and 2.8 we say that the radical class  $j_0c_0T$  is generated by T.

### 3. Radical mappings

The notion of radical mapping of lattice ordered groups has been introduced in [5]. Analogously we proceed in the case of elements of  $\mathcal{D}_0$ .

**3.1. Definition.** A radical mapping in  $\mathcal{D}_0$  is defined to be a rule that assigns to each element L of  $\mathcal{D}_0$  an ideal  $L = \varrho L$  of L such that the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i) If  $L_1, L_2 \in \mathcal{D}_0$  and if  $\varphi : L_1 \to L_2$  is an isomorphism, then  $\varphi(\varrho L_1) = \varrho \varphi(L_1)$ .
- (ii) If  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$  and  $Z \in c_0(L)$ , then  $\varrho Z = Z \cap \varrho L$ .

We denote by  $R_1(\mathcal{D}_0)$  the collection of all radical mappings on  $\mathcal{D}_1$ . For  $\varrho_1, \varrho_2 \in R_1(\mathcal{D}_0)$  we put  $\varrho_1 \leq \varrho_2$  if  $\varrho_1 L \leq \varrho_2 L$  is valid for each  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$ .

**3.2. Lemma.** Let  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$ ,  $Z \in c_0(L)$ ,  $\emptyset \neq \{L_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq c_0(L)$ . Then

$$Z \wedge^0 \left(\bigvee_{i \in I}^0 L_i\right) = \bigvee_{i \in I}^0 (Z \wedge^0 L_i).$$

Proof. The relation  $Z \wedge^0 \left(\bigvee_{i \in I}^0 L_i\right) \ge \bigvee_{i \in I}^0 (Z \wedge^0 L_i)$  is obvious. Let  $x \in Z \wedge^0 \left(\bigvee_{i \in I}^0 L_i\right)$ . Hence  $x \in Z$  and  $x \in \bigvee_{i \in I}^0 L_i$ . Thus in view of 2.3 there are  $i(1), i(2), \ldots, i(n) \in I$  and  $z_1 \in L_{i(1)}, \ldots, z_n \in L_{i(n)}$  such that  $x = z_1 \vee z_2 \vee \ldots \vee z_n$ . Then we have

$$x = x \land (z_1 \lor z_2 \lor \ldots \lor z_n) = (x \land z_1) \lor \ldots \lor (z \land z_n).$$

Clearly  $x \wedge z_1 \in Z \wedge^0 Z_{i(1)}, \dots, x \wedge z_n \in Z \wedge^0 Z_{i(n)}.$ 

By using 2.3 again we conclude that

$$x \in \bigvee_{i \in I}^{0} (Z \wedge L_{i}), \quad Z \wedge^{0} \left( \bigvee_{i \in I}^{0} L_{i} \right) \leqslant \bigvee_{i \in I}^{0} (Z \wedge^{0} L_{i}).$$

Let  $X \in R(\mathcal{D}_0)$ . For  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$  let  $\{L_i\}_{i \in I}$  be the set of all elements of  $c_0(L)$  which belong to X. We put

(1) 
$$\varrho_X L = \bigvee_{i \in I}^0 L_i.$$

**3.3. Lemma.** For each  $X \in R(\mathcal{D}_0)$ ,  $\varrho_X$  belongs to  $R_1(\mathcal{D}_0)$ .

Proof. a) Let  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$ . According to the definition of the operation  $\bigvee^{\vee}$ ,  $\varrho_X L$  belongs to  $c_0(L)$ , whence it is an ideal of L.

b) Let  $L_1, L_2 \in \mathcal{D}_0$  and let  $\varphi : L_1 \to L_2$  be an isomorphism. Let  $\{L_i\}_{i \in I}$  be the set of all elements of  $c_0(L_1)$  which belong to the class X. Then  $\{\varphi(L_i)\}_{i \in I}$  is the set of all elements of  $c_0(L_2)$  which belong to X. Hence we have  $\varphi(\varrho_X L_1) = \varrho_X \varphi(L_1)$ .

c) Let  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$  and  $Y \in c_0(L)$ . We have to verify that  $\varrho_X Z = Z \cap \varrho_X L$ .

Let  $\{L_1\}_{i \in I}$  be as in (1). Further, let  $c_0(Z) \cap X = \{Z_j\}_{j \in J}$ . Thus we have  $\varrho_X Z = \bigvee_{j \in J}^0 Z_j$ .

Assume that  $t \in \varrho_X Z$ . Then in view of 2.3 there are  $j(1), j(2), \ldots, j(n)$  in J and  $z_1 \in Z_{j(1)}, \ldots, z_n \in Z_{j(n)}$  such that  $t = z_1 \vee z_2 \vee \ldots \vee z_n$ . Further,  $t \in Z$ . There are  $i(1), \ldots, i(n) \in I$  such that  $Z_{j(1)} = L_{i(1)}, \ldots, Z_{j(n)} = L_{i(n)}$ . Thus  $t \in \varrho_X L$  and  $\varrho_X Z \subseteq Z \cap \varrho_X L$ .

Conversely, assume that  $p \in Z \cap \varrho_X L$ . Again, by 2.3 and (1) there are  $i(1), \ldots, i(n) \in I$  and  $y_1 \in L_{i(1)}, \ldots, y_n \in L_{i(n)}$  such that  $p = y_1 \vee y_2 \vee \ldots \vee y_n$ . Thus

$$p = (y_1 \wedge p) \lor (y_2 \wedge p) \lor \ldots \lor (y_n \wedge p).$$

We have  $y_1 \wedge p \in L_1 \cap Z = L_1 \wedge^0 Z$  and analogously for  $y_2, \ldots, y_n$ . Hence

$$p \in \bigvee_{i \in I}^{0} (L_i \wedge^0 Z).$$

Therefore according to 3.2,

$$p \in \left(\bigvee_{i \in I}^{0} L_{i}\right) \wedge^{0} Z = Z \cap \varrho_{X} L,$$

whence  $Z \cap \varrho_X L \subseteq \varrho_X Z$ .

Let  $\rho \in R_1(\mathcal{D}_0)$ . We denote by  $X_{\rho}$  the class of all  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$  such that  $\rho L = L$ .

**3.4. Lemma.** For each  $\rho \in R_1(\mathcal{D}_0)$ ,  $X_{\rho}$  belongs to  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$ .

P r o o f. In view of the condition (i) from 3.1, the class  $X_{\varrho}$  is closed with respect to isomorphisms.

Let  $L \in X_{\varrho}$  and  $L_1 \in c_0(L)$ . We have  $\varrho L_1 = L_1 \cap \varrho L = L_1 \cap L = L_1$ , whence  $L_1 \in X_{\varrho}$ .

Further, let  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$  and  $\emptyset \neq \{L_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq c_0(L) \cap X_{\varrho}$ . Hence  $\varrho L_i = L_i$  for each  $i \in I$ . Put  $Z = \bigvee_{i \in I}^0 L_i$ . Then  $Z \ge \varrho Z \ge \varrho L_i = L_i$  for each  $i \in I$ , therefore

$$\varrho Z \geqslant \bigvee_{i \in I}^{0} L_i = Z$$

and thus  $\rho Z = Z$ . Thus  $Z \in X_{\rho}$ , which completes the proof.

From the definitions of  $\rho_X$  and  $X_\rho$  we immediately obtain

**3.5. Lemma.** (i) If  $X(1), X(2) \in R(\mathcal{D}_0)$  and  $X(1) \leq X(2)$ , then  $\varrho_{X(1)} \leq \varrho_{X(2)}$ . (ii) If  $\varrho(1), \varrho(2) \in R_1(\mathcal{D}_0)$  and  $\varrho(1) \leq \varrho(2)$ , then  $X_{\varrho(1)} \leq X_{\varrho(2)}$ . (iii) If  $Y(1) \in R(\mathcal{D}_1)$ ,  $\varrho(1) \in R(\mathcal{D}_1)$  and  $\varrho_{X(1)} = \varrho(2)$ . Xerve = X(2), then

(iii) If  $X(1) \in R(\mathcal{D}_0)$ ,  $\varrho(1) \in R_1(\mathcal{D}_0)$  and  $\varrho_{X(1)} = \varrho(2)$ ,  $X_{\varrho(1)} = X(2)$ , then  $X_{\varrho(2)} = X(1)$ ,  $\varrho_{X(2)} = \varrho(1)$ .

For  $X \in R(\mathcal{D}_0)$  we put  $\psi(X) = \varrho_X$ . In view of 3.3, 3.4 and 3.5 we conclude that

**3.6. Proposition.**  $\psi$  is a bijective mapping of  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$  onto  $R_1(\mathcal{D}_0)$ . Moreover, if  $X(1), X(2) \in R(\mathcal{D}_0)$ , then

$$X(1) \leqslant X(2) \Longleftrightarrow \psi(X(1)) \leqslant \psi(X(2)).$$

Let  $\{\varrho_i\}_{i\in I}$  be a nonempty subcollection of the collection  $R_1(\mathcal{D}_0)$ . Further, let  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$ . Consider the subset  $\{\varrho_i L\}_{i\in I}$  of the set  $c_0(L)$ . We put

$$Z^{1}(L) = \bigwedge_{i \in I}^{0} \varrho_{i}L, \quad Z^{2}(L) = \bigvee_{i \in I}^{0} \varrho_{i}L.$$

For each  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$  we denote  $\varrho^1 L = Z^1(L)$ ,  $\varrho^2 L = Z^2(L)$ . Then  $\varrho^1(L)$  and  $\varrho^2 L$  are elements of  $c_0(L)$ .

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Let  $L_1 \in c_0(L)$ . We have

$$\varrho^1 L_1 = Z^1(L_1) = \bigwedge_{i \in I}^0 \varrho_i L_1 = \bigwedge_{i \in I}^0 (L_1 \cap \varrho_i L)$$
$$= \bigwedge_{i \in I}^0 (L_1 \wedge^0 \varrho_i L) = L_1 \wedge^0 \left(\bigwedge_{i \in I}^0 \varrho_i L\right) = L_1 \wedge^0 \varrho^1 L = L_1 \cap \varrho^1 L.$$

Further, 3.2 yields

$$\varrho^2 L_1 = Z^2(L_1) = \bigvee_{i \in I}^0 \varrho_i L_1 = \bigvee_{i \in I}^0 (L_1 \cap \varrho_i L)$$
$$= \bigvee_{i \in I}^0 (L_1 \wedge^0 \varrho_i L) = L_1 \wedge^0 \left(\bigvee_{i \in I}^0 \varrho_i L\right) = L_1 \wedge^0 \varrho^2 L = L_1 \cap \varrho^2 L.$$

Therefore we obtain

**3.7. Lemma.**  $\rho^1$  and  $\rho^2$  are elements of  $R_1(\mathcal{D}_0)$ .

From the definitions of  $\rho^1$ ,  $\rho^2$  and from 3.7 we infer that

**3.8. Proposition.** Let  $S = \{\varrho_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a nonempty subcollection of the collection  $R_1(\mathcal{D}_0)$ . Further, let  $\varrho^1$  and  $\varrho^2$  be as in 3.7. Then  $\varrho^1$  is the meet of S and  $\varrho^2$  is the join of S in the partially ordered collection  $R_1(\mathcal{D}_0)$ .

In view of 3.8 we denote  $\varrho^1 = \bigwedge_{i \in I} \varrho_i$ ,  $\varrho^2 = \bigvee_{i \in I} \varrho_i$ . According to 3.2 and 3.8 we have

**3.9.** Proposition. Let  $\{\varrho_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a nonempty subcollection of  $R_1(\mathcal{D}_0)$  and  $\varrho \in R_1(\mathcal{D}_0)$ . Then

$$\varrho \wedge \left(\bigvee_{i \in I} \varrho_i\right) = \bigvee_{i \in I} (\varrho \wedge \varrho_i).$$

Now let  $S_1 = \{X_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a nonempty subcollection of  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$  and let  $\psi$  be as in 3.6. Put

$$\varrho^1 = \bigwedge_{i \in I} \psi(X_i), \quad \varrho^2 = \bigvee_{i \in I} \psi(X_i),$$
$$X^1 = \psi^{-1}(\varrho^1), \quad X^2 = \psi^{-1}(\varrho^2).$$

Then in view of 3.8 and 3.6 we conclude that  $X^1$  is the meet of  $S_1$  in  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$  and, analogously,  $X^1$  is the join of  $S_1$  in  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$ . Further, a rule analogous to that given in 3.9 is valid in  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$ .

### 4. Generalized Boolean Algebras

An element  $X \in \mathcal{D}_0$  is called a generalized Boolean algebra if for each  $x \in X$ , the interval  $[0_x, x]$  is a Boolean algebra. The collection of all generalized Boolean algebras will be denoted by  $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{B})$ .

The notion of a radical class in  $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{B})$  is defined analogously as in the case of  $\mathcal{D}_0$ .

Let X be a radical class in  $\mathcal{D}_0$ . If X is closed with respect to homomorphisms, then it is called a torsion class in  $\mathcal{D}_0$ . This terminology is in accordance with that used in the theory of lattice ordered groups (cf. [20]).

Analogously we define the notion of the torsion class in  $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{B})$ .

Torsion classes in  $\mathcal{D}_0$  have been investigated in the paper [2] with applications in the theory of lattice ordered groups. Let us denote by  $T(\mathcal{D}_0)$  the collection of all torsion classes in  $\mathcal{D}_0$ .

**4.1. Theorem.** ([2], Theorem 2.3.) The class of generalized Boolean algebras forms a torsion class of distributive lattices with the least element.

In other words, we have  $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{B}) \in T(\mathcal{D}_0)$ .

# **4.2.** Corollary. $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{B}) \in R(\mathcal{D}_0)$ .

**4.3.** Corollary. Each radical class of generalized Boolean algebras (i.e., a radical class in  $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{B})$ ) is a radical class in  $\mathcal{D}_0$ .

**4.4. Theorem.** There exists an injective mapping  $\varphi$  of the class of all infinite cardinals into the collection  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$  such that for each infinite cardinal  $\alpha$  and each  $L \in \varphi(\alpha)$ , the lattice L is conditionally complete.

Proof. This is a consequence of 4.3 and of Theorem 5.1 in [15].  $\Box$ 

Let  $\alpha$  be an infinite cardinal. We denote by  $A_{e(\alpha)}$  the class of all generalized Boolean algebras L such that for each interval  $[a_1, a_2]$  of L the relation card $[a_1, a_2] \leq \alpha$  is valid.

**4.5. Theorem.** ([15], Proposition 3.11.) For each infinite cardinal  $\alpha$ ,  $A_{e(\alpha)}$  is a radical class in  $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{B})$ .

Then in view of 4.3 we have

**4.6.** Corollary. For each infinite cardinal  $\alpha$ ,  $A_{e(\alpha)}$  is a radical class in  $\mathcal{D}_0$ .

Again, let  $\alpha$  be an infinite cardinal and let  $M_{\alpha}$  be a set of cardinality  $M_{\alpha}$ . Let  $L(M_{\alpha})$  be the system of all subsets M of  $M_{\alpha}$  such that either M is finite or the

set  $M_{\alpha} \setminus M$  is finite. Further, let  $L(M_{\alpha})$  be partially ordered by the set-theoretical inclusion. Then  $L(M_{\alpha})$  is a Boolean algebra with card  $L(M_{\alpha}) = \alpha$ . Hence we have

(i)  $L(M_{\alpha}) \in A_{e(\alpha)};$ 

(ii) if  $\alpha(1)$  is a cardinal with  $\alpha(1) > \alpha$ , then  $L(M_{\alpha(1)}) \notin A_{e(\alpha)}$ .

Thus  $A_{e(\alpha)} \neq \emptyset$  for each infinite cardinal  $\alpha$ , and  $A_{e(\alpha)} \neq A_{e(\alpha(1))}$  whenever  $\alpha(1) > \alpha$ .

**4.7. Lemma.** For each infinite cardinal  $\alpha$ , the class  $A_{e(\alpha)}$  is closed with respect to homomorphisms.

Proof. Let  $L \in A_{e(\alpha)}$ ,  $L' \in \mathcal{D}_0$  and let  $\psi$  be a homomorphism of L onto L'. Let  $[b_1, b_2]$  be an interval in L'. Then there exist  $a_1, a_2 \in L$  such that  $a_1 \leq a_2$  and  $\psi([a_1, a_2]) = [b_1, b_2]$ . Hence  $\operatorname{card}[b_1, b_2] \leq \operatorname{card}[a_1, a_2] \leq \alpha$ .

Thus in view of 4.6 we have

**4.8. Corollary.** For each infinite cardinal  $\alpha$ ,  $A_{e(\alpha)}$  is a torsion class in  $\mathcal{D}_0$ .

According to the properties (i) and (ii) above we conclude

**4.9. Theorem.** There exists an injective mapping of the class of all infinite cardinals into the collection  $T(\mathcal{D}_0)$ .

5. The classes  $C_{\alpha}$  and  $C_{\alpha}^{1}$ 

We denote by  $R(\mathcal{B}_0)$  the collection of all radical classes of generalized Boolean algebras. We have already observed (see 4.5) that  $R(\mathcal{B}_0) \subseteq R(\mathcal{D}_0)$  and from this we deduced that  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$  is a large collection (cf. 4.6). We can ask whether the collection  $R(\mathcal{D}_0) \setminus R(\mathcal{B}_0)$  has this property as well.

**5.1. Theorem.** There exists an injective mapping of the class of all infinite cardinals into the collection  $R(\mathcal{D}_0) \setminus R(\mathcal{B}_0)$ .

We need some lemmas. The following assertion is obvious.

**5.2. Lemma.** Let  $\alpha$  be an infinite cardinal. Then there exists a linearly ordered set  $L_{\alpha}$  such that card  $L_{\alpha} = \alpha$ .

In what follows,  $L_{\alpha}$  is as in 5.2. We have  $L_{\alpha} \notin \mathcal{B}_0$ .

For each infinite cardinal  $\alpha$  we denote by  $C_{\alpha}$  the class of all lattices  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$  such that  $\operatorname{card}[0, x] \leq \alpha$ , whenever  $x \in L$ .

Let  $\alpha$  be a fixed infinite cardinal. From the definition of  $C_{\alpha}$  we immediately obtain

**5.3. Lemma.**  $C_{\alpha}$  satisfies the conditions (i) and (ii) from 2.1.

**5.4. Lemma.** Let  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$  and  $a, b \in L$ . Suppose that  $\operatorname{card}[0, a] \leq \alpha$  and  $\operatorname{card}[0, b] \leq \alpha$ . Then  $\operatorname{card}[0, a \lor b] \leq \alpha$ .

Proof. For each  $x \in [0, a \lor b]$  we put  $\varphi(x) = (a \land x, b \land x)$ . In view of the distributivity of L we obtain  $x = x \land (a \lor b) = (x \land a) \lor (x \land b)$ . Hence if  $y \in [0, a \lor b]$  and  $\varphi(x) = \varphi(y)$ , then x = y. Thus  $\varphi$  is an injective mapping of the interval  $[0, a \lor b]$  into the Cartesian product  $[0, a] \times [0, b]$ . Therefore

$$\operatorname{card}[0, a \lor b] \leq \operatorname{card}([0, a] \times [0, b]) \leq \alpha \cdot \alpha = \alpha.$$

From 5.4 we obtain by induction

**5.5. Lemma.** Let  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$  and  $a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n \in L$ . Suppose that  $\operatorname{card}[0, a_i] \leq \alpha$  for  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, n$ . Put  $v = a_1 \lor a_2 \lor \ldots \lor a_n$ . Then  $\operatorname{card}[0, v] \leq \alpha$ .

**5.6. Lemma.** Let  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$  and  $\emptyset \neq \{L_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq c_0(L) \cap C_\alpha$ . Put  $L = \bigvee_{i \in I}^0 L_i$ . Then  $L^0 \in C_\alpha$ .

Proof. This is a consequence of 5.5 and 2.3.

Now we apply 5.3 and 5.5; since  $L_{\alpha} \in C_{\alpha} \setminus \mathcal{B}_0$  we conclude

**5.7. Lemma.**  $C_{\alpha}$  belongs to the collection  $R(\mathcal{D}_0) \setminus R(\mathcal{B}_0)$ .

Proof of 5.1. For each infinite cardinal  $\alpha$  we put  $f(\alpha) = C_{\alpha}$ . If  $\alpha(1), \alpha(2)$  are infinite cardinals with  $\alpha(1) < \alpha(2)$ , then  $L_{\alpha(2)} \in C_{\alpha(2)} \setminus C_{\alpha(1)}$ , whence  $C_{\alpha(2)} \neq C_{\alpha(1)}$ . Now it suffices to apply 5.7.

Consider the following condition for a lattice L:

(a) Whenever X is a nonempty upper bounded subset of L with  $\operatorname{card} X \leq \alpha$ , then  $\sup X$  exists in L.

Further, let (b) be the condition dual to (a). We denote by  $C^a_{\alpha}$  the class of all lattices which belong to  $\mathcal{D}_0$  and satisfy the condition (a). Let  $C^b_{\alpha}$  be defined analogously.

**5.8. Lemma.** Let  $L \in \mathcal{D}_0$  and let  $a, b \in L$ ,  $a \vee b = v$ . Assume that both [0, a] and [0, b] satisfy the condition (a). Then the interval [0, v] satisfies this condition as well.

Proof. Let  $\emptyset \neq X \subseteq [0, v]$ , card  $X \leq \alpha$ . For each  $x \in X$  we put  $x_1 = x \wedge a$ ,  $x_2 = x \wedge b$ .

Further, we set

$$X_1 = \{x_1; x \in X\}, X_2 = \{x_2; x \in X\}.$$

Then we have  $X_1 \subseteq [0, a]$ ,  $\operatorname{card} X_1 \leq \alpha$ ,  $X_2 \subseteq [0, b]$ ,  $\operatorname{card} X_2 \leq \alpha$ . Thus, in view of the assumption, there exist  $x^1 = \sup X_1$ ,  $x^2 = \sup X_2$  in *L*; clearly  $x^1 \in [0, a]$ ,  $x^2 \in [0, b]$ . Put  $x^0 = x^1 \lor x^2$ . For each  $x \in X$  we have  $x = x_1 \lor x_2$ , whence  $x^0 \geq x$ for each  $x \in X$ .

Assume that t is an upper bound of the set X. Put  $t' = t \vee v$  and  $t'_1 = t' \wedge a$ ,  $t'_2 = t' \wedge b$ . Then we have  $t'_1 \ge x_1$ ,  $t'_2 \ge x_2$  for each  $x \in X$ , whence  $t'_1 \ge x^1$  and  $t'_2 \ge x^2$ . We obtain  $t \ge t' = t'_1 \vee t'_2 \ge x^1 \vee x^2 = x^0$ . Therefore  $x^0 = \sup X$  in L.  $\Box$ 

For the class  $C^a_{\alpha}$  we can now apply analogous steps as we did for  $C_{\alpha}$  above (cf. 5.3, 5.5 and 5.6) with the distinction that instead of 5.4 we use now 5.8. We obtain

# **5.9.** Proposition. $C^a_{\alpha}$ is a radical class in $\mathcal{D}_0$ .

Similarly we can verify that  $C^b_{\alpha}$  is a radical class in  $\mathcal{D}_0$ .

A lattice L is said to be conditionally  $\alpha$ -complete if it satisfies both conditions (a) and (b). We denote by  $C^1_{\alpha}$  the class of all lattices which belong to  $\mathcal{D}_0$  and are conditionally  $\alpha$ -complete.

From 5.9 and from the analogous result concerning  $C^b_{\alpha}$  we conclude

**5.10. Theorem.** For each infinite cardinal  $\alpha$ ,  $C^1_{\alpha}$  belongs to  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$ .

### 6. INFINITE DISTRIBUTIVITY

We recall that a lattice L is called infinitely distributive if, whenever  $x, y \in L$  and  $\emptyset \neq \{x_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq L$ , then

(i) 
$$x = \bigvee_{i \in I} x_i \Longrightarrow x \land y = \bigvee_{i \in I} (x_i \land y),$$
  
(ii)  $x = \bigwedge_{i \in I} x_i \Longrightarrow x \lor y = \bigwedge_{i \in I} (x_i \lor y).$ 

We denote by  $\mathcal{D}_1$  the class of all lattices L such that L is infinitely distributive and has the least element. Hence  $\mathcal{D}_1$  is a subclass of  $\mathcal{D}_0$ .

The question whether the relation  $\mathcal{D}_1 \in R(\mathcal{D}_0)$  is valid remains open.

We define the radical class in  $\mathcal{D}_1$  analogously as in Definition 2.4 with the distinction that we take  $\mathcal{D}_1$  instead of  $\mathcal{D}_0$ . Let  $R(\mathcal{D}_1)$  be the collection of all radical classes in  $\mathcal{D}_1$ .

We start by mentioning the following facts.

- A) The results of Section 3 remain valid if  $\mathcal{D}_0$  is replaced by  $\mathcal{D}_1$ .
- B) It is well-known that every Boolean algebra is infinitely distributive. From this we conclude that the same is valid for generalized Boolean algebras and that  $\mathcal{B}_0 \in R(\mathcal{D}_1), R(\mathcal{B}_0) \subseteq R(\mathcal{D}_1)$ .
- C) Each linearly ordered set is infinitely distributive. Therefore the results of Section 5 remain valid if we replace  $\mathcal{D}_0$  by  $\mathcal{D}_1$ .

Let L be a lattice and let  $\alpha, \beta$  be nonzero cardinals. We say that L satisfies the condition  $c_1(\alpha, \beta)$  if, whenever  $u, v \in L$ ,  $\{x_{ij}\}_{i \in I, j \in J} \subseteq L$  such that card  $I \leq \alpha$ , card  $J \leq \beta$ ,

(1) 
$$v = \bigwedge_{i \in I} \bigvee_{j \in J} x_{ij},$$

(2) 
$$u = \bigvee_{\varphi \in J^I} \bigwedge_{i \in I} x_{i,\varphi(i)},$$

then u = v.

Further, let  $c_2(\alpha, \beta)$  be the conditions dual to  $c_1(\alpha, \beta)$ .

The lattice L is called  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -distributive if it satisfies both conditions  $c_1(\alpha, \beta)$  and  $c_2(\alpha, \beta)$ .

If a lattice L is  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -distributive for all nonzero cardinals  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , then it is said to be completely distributive.

Let us remark that if (1) and (2) are valid then  $u \leq v$ .

Let  $u, v \in L$ , u < v. If there exist elements  $x_{ij} (i \in I, j \in J)$  such that card  $I \leq \alpha$ , card  $J \leq \beta$  and the relations (1), (2) are valid, then we say that the pair (u, v)violates the condition  $c_1(\alpha, \beta)$ .

**6.1. Lemma.** Suppose that L is an infinitely distributive lattice. Let  $u, v, u_1, v_1 \in L$ ,  $u \leq u_1 < v_1 \leq v$ . Assume that the pair (u, v) violates the condition  $c_1(\alpha, \beta)$ . Then the pair  $(u_1, v_1)$  violates this condition as well.

Proof. In view of the assumption we can suppose that the conditions (1), (2) are satisfied and that card  $I \leq \alpha$ , card  $J \leq \beta$ .

Denote  $(x_{ij} \wedge v_1) \lor u_1 = x'_{ij}$ . We have

$$(v \wedge v_1) \lor u_1 = v_1, \quad (u \wedge v_1) \lor u_1 = u_1.$$

Hence by applying the infinite distributivity we obtain from (1) and (2) the relations

(1') 
$$v_1 = \bigwedge_{i \in I} \bigvee_{i \in J} x'_{ij},$$

(2') 
$$u_1 = \bigvee_{\varphi \in J^I} \bigwedge_{i \in I} x'_{i,\varphi(i)}$$

Since  $u_1 < v_1$ , the pair  $(u_1, v_1)$  violates the condition  $c_1(\alpha, \beta)$ .

If the elements  $x'_{ij}$  are as above, then we obviously have

$$x'_{ij} \in [u_1, v_1]$$
 for each  $i \in I, j \in J$ .

Hence from (1') and (2') we conclude

**6.2. Corollary.** Let the assumptions as in 6.1 be valid. Then the lattice  $[u_1, v_1]$  fails to satisfy the condition  $c_1(\alpha, \beta)$ .

**6.3. Lemma.** Let  $L \in \mathcal{D}_1$  and  $a, b \in L$ . Assume that the intervals [0, a] and [0, b] both satisfy the condition  $c_1(\alpha, \beta)$ . Then the interval  $[0, a \lor b]$  satisfies this condition as well.

Proof. By way of contradiction, assume that the interval  $[0, a \lor b]$  does not satisfy the condition  $c_1(\alpha, \beta)$ . Then there are elements  $u, v \in [0, a \lor b]$  such that u < v and the pair (u, v) violates the condition  $c_1(\alpha, \beta)$ . Put  $u_1 = u \land a, u_2 = u \land b,$  $v_1 = v \land a, v_2 = v \land b$ . Then we have  $u_1 \leq v_1, u_2 \leq v_2, [u_1, v_1] \subseteq [0, a], [u_2, v_2] \subseteq [0, b]$ . Further,  $u = u_1 \lor u_2, v = v_1 \lor v_2$ . If  $u_1 = v_1$  and  $u_2 = v_2$ , then u = v, which is a contradiction. Hence without loss of generality we can suppose that  $u_1 < v_1$ . In view of the distributivity of L, the interval  $[u_1, v_1]$  is projective to the interval  $[u, u \lor v_1]$ and  $[u, u \lor v_1] \subseteq [u, v]$ . Hence the intervals  $[u_1, v_1]$  and  $[u, u \lor v_1]$  are isomorphic. Thus  $u < u \lor v_1$ . Then in view of 6.2, the interval  $[u, u \lor v_1]$  fails to satisfy the condition  $c_1(\alpha, \beta)$ . This yields that the interval  $[u, v_1]$  also fails to satisfy this condition.

On the other hand, [0, a] satisfies the condition  $c_1(\alpha, \beta)$  and  $[u_1, v_1]$  is a subinterval of [0, a], thus  $[u_1, v_1]$  satisfies  $c_1(\alpha, \beta)$ ; we have arrived at a contradiction.

Let us denote by  $X_{(1,\alpha,\beta)}$  the class of all lattices  $L \in \mathcal{D}_1$  such that L satisfies the condition  $c_1(\alpha,\beta)$ .

### **6.4. Theorem.** $X_{(1,\alpha,\beta)}$ belongs to the collection $R(\mathcal{D}_1)$ .

Proof. It is obvious that  $X_{(1,\alpha,\beta)}$  is closed with respect to isomorphisms and with respect to convex subalgebras. Now it suffices to apply 6.3, 2.3 and to use analogous steps as in the proof of 5.7.

Similarly we can deal with the condition  $c_2(\alpha, \beta)$ ; we obtain the radical class  $X_{(2,\alpha,\beta)}$  in  $\mathcal{D}_1$ .

Summarizing the results concerning  $X_{(1,\alpha,\beta)}$  and  $X_{(2,\alpha,\beta)}$  we conclude.

**6.5.** Theorem. The class  $X_{\alpha,\beta}$  of all lattices which belong to  $\mathcal{D}_1$  and are  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -distributive is a radical class in  $\mathcal{D}_1$ .

**6.6. Corollary.** The class of all lattices which are completely distributive and have the least element is a radical class in  $\mathcal{D}_1$ .

Since each generalized Boolean algebra belongs to  $\mathcal{D}_1$ , 6.5 is a generalization of Proposition 3.9 in [15].

### 7. Atoms in $R(\mathcal{D}_1)$

The class  $X_0$  of all one-element lattices is the least element in  $R(\mathcal{D}_1)$ . Let  $X \in R(\mathcal{D}_1)$ . Assume that  $X \neq X_0$  and that, whenever  $Y \in R(\mathcal{D}_1)$  and  $X_0 < Y \leq X$ , then Y = X. A radical class X in  $R(\mathcal{D}_1)$  having this property will be called an *atom* in  $R(\mathcal{D}_1)$ .

Analogously we define an atom in  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$ . It is easy to see that each atom in  $R(\mathcal{D}_1)$  is, at the same time, an atom in  $R(\mathcal{D}_0)$ .

In this section we show that there exists a large collection of atoms in  $R(\mathcal{D}_1)$ .

Let us introduce the following notation. For each infinite cardinal  $\alpha$  we denote by  $\beta(\alpha)$  the first ordinal whose cardinality is equal to  $\alpha$ . We put  $\beta'(\alpha) = \beta(\alpha) \cup \{0\}$  and we consider 0 to be the greatest element of  $\beta'(\alpha)$ .

Further, let  $X_{\alpha}$  be the class of all linearly ordered sets L such that L is dually isomorphic to  $\beta'(\alpha)$ .

From the definition of  $X_{\alpha}$  we immediately obtain

**7.1. Lemma.** Let  $\alpha$  be an infinite cardinal. Let  $L \in X_{\alpha}$ . Then

- (i) *L* is infinitely distributive;
- (ii) if  $L_1 \in c_0(L)$  and card  $L_1 > 1$ , then  $L_1$  is isomorphic to L.

We slightly modify the construction from Section 2; instead of  $\mathcal{D}_0$  we deal with the class  $\mathcal{D}_1$ .

Let T be a nonempty subclass of  $\mathcal{D}_1$  which is closed with respect to isomorphisms. We define  $c_0T$  in the same way as in Section 2; then we have  $c_0T \subseteq \mathcal{D}_1$ .

Further, we define  $j'_0T$  to be the class of all lattices  $L \in \mathcal{D}_1$  which can be expressed in the form  $L = \bigvee_{i \in I}^0 L_i$ , where  $L_i \in c_0(L) \cap T$  for each  $i \in I$ .

Similarly as in Section 2 we have (cf. 2.7)

**7.2. Lemma.** Let  $\emptyset \neq T \subseteq \mathcal{D}_1$ . Assume that T is closed with respect to isomorphisms. Then we have

(i)  $j'_0 c_0 T$  is a radical class in  $\mathcal{D}_1$ .

(ii) If X is a radical class in  $\mathcal{D}_1$  and  $T \subseteq X$ , then  $j'_0 c_0 T \subseteq X$ .

Let  $X_{\alpha}$  be as above. It is clear that  $X_{\alpha}$  is closed with respect to isomorphisms. We put  $Y_{\alpha} = j'_0 c_0 X_{\alpha}$ . Then in view of 7.2 we have

**7.3. Lemma.** Let  $\alpha$  be an infinite cardinal. Then  $Y_{\alpha} \in R(\mathcal{D}_1)$ .

**7.4. Lemma.** For each infinite cardinal  $\alpha$ ,  $Y_{\alpha}$  is an atom in  $R(\mathcal{D}_1)$ .

Proof. Since the lattice dual to  $\beta'(\alpha)$  belongs to  $Y_{\alpha}$  we infer that  $Y_{\alpha} \neq X_{0}$ . Let  $Y \in R(\mathcal{D}_{1}), X_{0} < Y \leq Y_{\alpha}$ . Hence there exists  $L \in Y$  with card Y > 1. Then  $L \in j'_{0}c_{0}X_{\alpha}$ . Thus there exists a system  $\emptyset \neq \{L_{i}\}_{i \in I} \subseteq (c_{0}X_{\alpha}) \cap c_{0}(L)$  such that  $L = \bigvee_{i \in I}^{0} L_{i}$ . Without loss of generality we can suppose that card  $L_{i} > 1$  for each  $i \in I$ . Then according to 7.1,  $L_{i}$  is dually isomorphic to  $\beta'(\alpha)$  for each  $i \in I$ . Thus  $X_{\alpha} \subseteq Y$ , whence  $Y_{\alpha} = j'_{0}c_{0}X_{\alpha} \subseteq j'_{0}c_{0}Y = T$ . Therefore  $Y = Y_{\alpha}$ .

Put  $f(\alpha) = Y_{\alpha}$ . If  $\alpha(1)$  and  $\alpha(2)$  are distinct infinite cardinals, then clearly  $Y_{\alpha(1)} \neq Y_{\alpha(2)}$ . Hence from 7.4 we conclude

**7.5. Theorem.** *f* is an injective mapping of the class of all infinite cardinals into the collection of all atoms of  $R(\mathcal{D}_1)$ .

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