

# Unary-Determined Distributive $\ell$ -magmas and Bunched Implication Algebras

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# Motivation: Structural Description of Idempotent Semirings

Idempotent semirings  $(A, \vee, \cdot)$  play an important role in several areas of computer science including network optimization, formal languages, and program semantics.

Semirings are called **(additively) idempotent** if  $x + x = x$  and **doubly idempotent** if  $x \cdot x = x$  as well. In this case  $+$  and  $\cdot$  define a join semilattice and a meet semilattice respectively.

In [1] a complete structural description was given for finite commutative doubly idempotent semirings where either the multiplicative semilattice is a chain, or the additive semilattice is a Boolean algebra.

We can generalize the second description significantly, to the setting where the additive semilattice is a distributive lattice and the multiplication satisfies the condition  $x \cdot y = (px \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge qy)$  for a pair of unary operators  $p$  and  $q$ .

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$$x \wedge y \leq z \iff y \leq x \rightarrow z.$$

The residual  $\rightarrow$  ensures that the lattice is **distributive**.

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A **bunched implication algebra** (BI-algebra)  $(A, \wedge, \vee, \perp, \top, \rightarrow, *, 1, \multimap)$  is a Heyting algebra  $(A, \wedge, \vee, \perp, \top, \rightarrow)$  such that  $(A, *, 1)$  is a commutative monoid and  $\multimap$  is the residual of  $*$ , i. e.,

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The class of Heyting algebras and BI-algebras can both be defined by equations, so they are **varieties**.

# BI-algebras and BI-logic

Bunched implication algebras are the algebraic semantics of **BI-logic**

BI-logic is the propositional part of **separation logic**, which is a Hoare logic for reasoning about data structures and memory allocation.

The structure of BI-algebras is not well understood.

Defining  $\neg x = x \rightarrow \perp$  and adding  $\neg\neg x = x$  to BI-algebras gives the variety of Boolean BI-algebras, which contains the variety CRA of commutative relation algebras.

Finite BI-algebras “=” finite commutative distributive residuated lattices.

Every BI-algebra has a commutative  $d\ell$ -monoid as a reduct.

Every finite commutative  $d\ell$ -monoid expands uniquely to a BI-algebra.



# Aim: find easy-to-describe subvarieties of BI-algebras

A BI-algebra is **idempotent** if  $x*x = x$ .

Recall that a **preorder**  $P$  is a binary relation that is reflexive and transitive

## Theorem (Alpay, Jipsen 2020)

*Every finite idempotent Boolean BI-algebra is determined by a preorder  $P$  on the set of atoms such that*

*$P$  is a preorder forest:  $xPy$  and  $xPz$  implies  $yPz$  or  $zPy$ , and*

*$P$  has singleton roots:  $xPy$  and  $yPx$  and  $\forall z(xPz \implies zPx)$  implies  $x = y$*

Preorder forests with singleton roots are counted by an Euler transform:

$n$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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# Downsets and completely join-irreducibles

## Definition

Let  $(W, \leq)$  be a poset. A **downset** is a subset  $X \subseteq W$  such that  $y \leq x \in X$  implies  $y \in X$ .

- Let  $D(W, \leq)$  be the set of all downsets.
- The **downset lattice** is  $(D(W, \leq), \cap, \cup, \emptyset, W)$ .
- The downset lattice is a bounded distributive lattice.

## Definition

An element  $x$  in a lattice  $A$  is **completely join-irreducible** if

$$x \neq \bigvee \{y \in A \mid y < x\}.$$

$J(A)$  denotes the set of completely join-irreducibles of  $A$ .



## Definition

$(J(A), \leq, R)$  is the **Birkhoff frame** of a finite  $d\ell$ -magma  $A$  with the ternary relation  $R$  defined by  $R(x, y, z) \iff x \leq y \cdot z$ .

- From  $(x \vee y) \cdot z = x \cdot z \vee y \cdot z$  it follows that  $\cdot$  is order preserving.
- Hence  $R$  satisfies:
  - (R1)  $u \leq x \ \& \ R(x, y, z) \implies R(u, y, z)$  (downward closure)
  - (R2)  $R(x, y, z) \ \& \ y \leq v \implies R(x, v, z)$  (upward closure)
  - (R3)  $R(x, y, z) \ \& \ z \leq w \implies R(x, y, w)$  (upward closure).

## Definition

In general a **Birkhoff frame**  $W = (W, \leq, R)$  is a poset  $(W, \leq)$  with a ternary relation  $R \subseteq W^3$  that satisfies (R1),(R2),(R3).

## Definition

For a Birkhoff frame  $W$  define the **downset algebra**

$D(W) = (D(W, \leq), \cap, \cup, \cdot, \emptyset, W)$ , where for  $Y, Z \in D(W, \leq)$

$$Y \cdot Z = \{x \in W \mid R(x, y, z) \text{ for some } y \in Y \text{ and } z \in Z\}.$$

$Y \cdot Z$  is a downset by (R1),(R2),(R3) of  $R$ .

## Theorem

Let  $W$  be a Birkhoff frame. Then

- $D(W)$  is a  $d\ell$ -magma.
- $D(W)$  is idempotent if and only if for all  $x, y, z \in W$ ,  $R(x, x, x)$ , and  $(R(x, y, z) \implies x \leq y \text{ or } x \leq z)$ .

## Definition

$(W, \leq, P, Q)$  is a **PQ-frame** if

- 1  $(W, \leq)$  is a poset.
- 2  $u \leq x \ \& \ P(x, y) \ \& \ y \leq v \implies P(u, v)$
- 3  $u \leq x \ \& \ Q(x, y) \ \& \ y \leq v \implies Q(u, v)$

i.e.,  $P, Q$  are **weakening relations**.

- A **P-frame** is a PQ-frame where  $P = Q$ .
- $P$  is **reflexive** if  $P(x, x)$  for all  $x \in W$ .
- $P$  is **transitive** if  $P(x, y) \ \& \ P(y, z) \implies P(x, z)$ .

Note:  $x \leq y \ \& \ P(y, y) \implies P(x, y)$  by weakening.

We can define unary operations  $p$  and  $q$  on  $D(W)$  by  $pY = \{x \in W \mid \exists y \in Y (xPy)\}$  for a downset  $Y$ , with  $q$  defined analogously. Then the downset algebra is a  $dlpq$ -algebra.

## Lemma

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If  $x \leq px = ppx$  then from (6) we get associativity in the term-equivalent  $d\ell$ -magma  $(A, \wedge, \vee, \perp, \top, \cdot)$ , where  $x \cdot y = (px \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge py)$ .



## Definition

$(W, \leq, P)$  is a **preorder-forest P-frame** if

- 1  $(W, \leq)$  is a poset.
- 2  $u \leq x \ \& \ xPy \ \& \ y \leq v \implies uPv$
- 3  $xPx$  for all  $x \in W$
- 4  $xPy$  and  $yPz \implies xPz$
- 5  $xPy$  and  $xPz \implies x \leq y$  or  $x \leq z$  or  $yPz$  or  $zPy$  (Pforest)

That is  $(W, \leq, P)$  is a  $P$ -frame in which  $P$  is a preorder (i. e. reflexive and transitive) and satisfies the preorder forest formula

$$\text{(Pforest)} \quad xPy \text{ and } xPz \implies x \leq y \text{ or } x \leq z \text{ or } yPz \text{ or } zPy.$$

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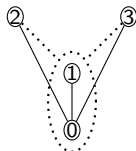
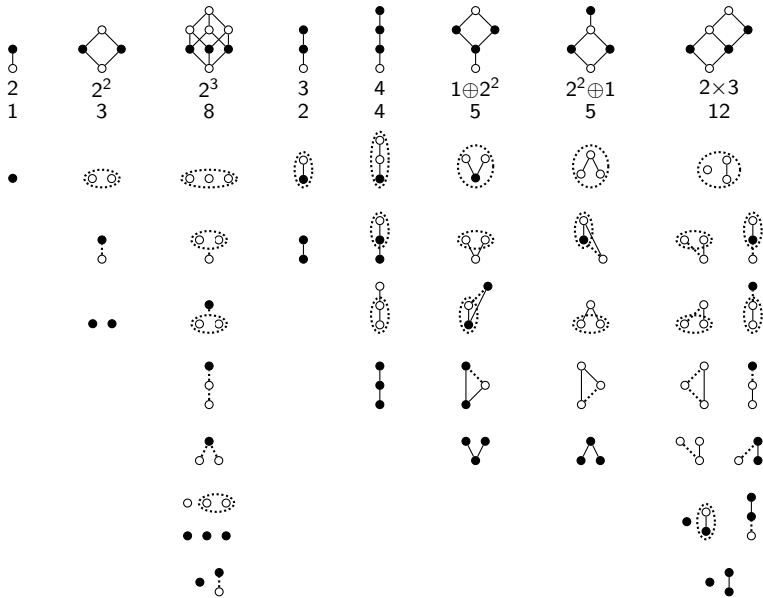
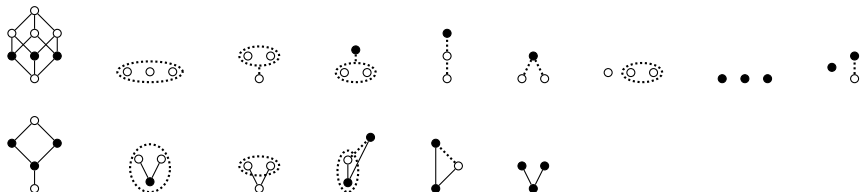


Figure:  $(W, \leq, P)$  represented as a Hasse diagram with solid lines representing  $\leq$  and dotted lines representing  $P$ .



**Figure:** All 40 preorder forest  $P$ -frames  $(W, \leq, P)$  with up to 3 join-irreducibles. Solid lines show  $(W, \leq)$ , dotted lines show the additional edges of  $P$ , and the identity (if it exists) is the set of black dots. The first row shows the lattice of downsets.

# A closer look



**Figure:** An excerpt from the previous table. The first row represents all the preorder forest  $P$ -frames  $(W, \leq, P)$  whose lattice of downsets  $D(W, \leq)$  forms the Boolean cube. In particular, these are Boolean quantales from [1]. However, we also represent new algebras, such as those in the second row, whose downset lattice is the “lollipop” distributive lattice with five elements.

# Conclusion

- Distributive lattices with unary operations are simpler than ones with binary operations. Hence the term-equivalence between unary-determined  $dl$ -magmas and  $dlpq$ -algebras is useful.
- We defined Birkhoff frames for  $dl$ -magmas, and  $PQ$ -frames for  $dlpq$ -algebras. These frames are logarithmic in size compared to the algebras.
- Preorder forest P-frames can be calculated more efficiently than idempotent unary-determined BI-algebras, and the P-frames can be drawn as Hasse diagrams of the poset (solid lines) and the preorder (dotted and solid lines).

$n$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
all BI $f_n$	1	1	3	16	70	399	2261		
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# Open problems

Do commutative idempotent unary-determined  $d\ell$ -monoids have a decidable equational theory?

Do idempotent unary-determined BI-algebras have a decidable equational theory?

Find an axiomatization for the variety generated by residuated complex algebras of preorder forest  $P$ -frames.

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