

ON ALAN DAY'S DOUBLING CONSTRUCTION IN
BOOLEAN ALGEBRA

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Abstract: In this paper, we prove that in a Boolean Algebra, doubling of an interval makes it distributive but not Boolean.

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1. Introduction

G. Grätzer in his paper [4] introduced a new lattice L^U from a given lattice L by adding an element a^U called the double of $a \neq 0, 1$ in L where $L^U = L \cup \{a^U\}$ with a new order denoted by \leq^U . Following that construction, A. Day [1] introduced a similar construction $L[I]$ by doubling an interval I of a given lattice L . After that it witnessed many developments, e.g. see [2], [3], [6]. In the paper [3] entitled 'Doubling Constructions in Lattice Theory', Alan Day mentioned the following result which appeared in [2]: Let L be a distributive lattice and take $I = [u, v]$ in L , $L[I]$ is again distributive if and only if $L = [u, 1] \cup [0, v]$. The proof there is implicit. For Boolean algebras, we give in this paper an explicit proof.

In this section, we give some preliminary definitions needed for the development of the paper. In section 2, we give the proof of the main result and in section 3, we give a counter-example to show that $B_n(I)$ is not distributive if I is an intermediate interval. In section 4, we give the conclusion of this paper.

Definition 1.1. [5] *A lattice L satisfying the following identities*

- $(x \wedge y) \vee z = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$
- $x \vee (y \wedge z) = (x \vee y) \wedge (x \vee z)$

for all $x, y, z \in L$ is called a distributive lattice.

If not, it is a non-distributive lattice.

Definition 1.2. [5] *A Boolean lattice is a complemented and bounded distributive lattice.*

Definition 1.3. [4] *Let L be a lattice and let $a \in L$ such that $a \neq 0, 1$. Now, we construct a lattice $L^U = L \cup \{a^U\}$ by adding the double of a : the element a^U , using the order relation stated as follows:*

- For $x, y \in L$, let $x \leq^U y$ if $x \leq y$;
- for $x \leq a$, let $x <^U a^U$;
- for $a < x$, let $a^U \leq^U x$.

Definition 1.4. [4] *Let $I = [a, b]$ be an interval of a lattice L . The set $I \times C_2$ is formed using the two-element chain $C_2 = \{0, 1\}$. The set $L[I] = (L \setminus I) \cup (I \times C_2)$ is a lattice given by the ordering for $x, y \in L$ and $i, j \in C_2$;*

- $x \leq y$ if $x \leq y$ in L ;
- $(x, i) \leq y$ if $x \leq y$ in L ;
- $x \leq (y, j)$ if $x \leq y$ in L ;
- $(x, i) \leq (y, j)$ if $x \leq y$ in L and $i \leq j$ in C_2

$L(I)$ is a lattice got by doubling of the interval I in L . This is Day's definition of doubling of intervals.

2. Main Results - Doubling in Boolean Algebras

Theorem 2.1. *Doubling construction of a Boolean algebra by an interval containing 0 is always distributive.*

Proof. Let B_n denote the Boolean algebra of rank n . Let a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n be the atoms of B_n . Let I be an interval of B_n containing 0 of B_n , denoted by 0_L . Then,

$$I \simeq B_k, \text{ for some } k \leq n.$$

Without loss of generality, let us assume that

$$B_k = [0, a_1 a_2 \dots a_k]$$

which has a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k as its atoms and where we write $a_1 a_2 \dots a_k$ for $a_1 \vee a_2 \vee \dots \vee a_k$.

When we double the interval B_k , we have $B_k \times C_2 \simeq B_{k+1}$.

Now, $B_n(I) = (B_n \setminus I) \cup (I \times C_2)$ is the new lattice formed by doubling the interval I .

The elements of B_{k+1} are of the form $(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0)$ or $(a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 1)$,

where $a_{m_1}, a_{m_2}, \dots, a_{m_s} \in \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k\}$ and $a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} \in \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k\}$.

We claim that $B_n(I)$ is distributive.

Let $x, y, z \in B_n(I)$.

Let $x, y \in (B_k \times C_2) = B_{k+1}$ and $z \in B_n \setminus B_k$.

Case 1.

Let $x = (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0)$, $y = (a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 1)$ and $z = (a_p \dots a_r)$, $p < r \leq n$, where a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s} and a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} are distinct.

Subcase 1a.

Let $a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$, $a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} \notin \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$

Now, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0) \wedge [(a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 1) \vee (a_p \dots a_r)]$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0) \wedge (a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q} a_p \dots a_r)$$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0)$$

$$(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) = [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0) \wedge (a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 1)] \vee [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)]$$

$= (0_L, 0) \vee (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0)$, where 0_L denotes the lowest element of B_n to distinguish it from 0 of C_2 .

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0)$$

$$\text{Therefore, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z).$$

Subcase 1a₁.

Let $a_{m_1} = a_{p_1}, a_{m_2} = a_{p_2}, \dots, a_{m_t} = a_{p_t}$, $t < s$,

$$a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s}, a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

Now, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0) \wedge [(a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 1) \vee (a_p \dots a_r)]$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)$$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_t}, 0)$$

$$(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) = [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0) \wedge (a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 1)] \vee [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)]$$

$$= (0_L, 0) \vee (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_t}, 0)$$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_t}, 0)$$

$$\text{Therefore, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$$

Subcase 1b.

Let $a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s} \notin \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$,

$$a_{p1}, \dots, a_{pq} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

$$\text{Now, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 0) \wedge [(a_{p1} \dots a_{pq}, 1) \vee (a_p \dots a_r)]$$

$$= (a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 0) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)$$

$$= (0_L, 0)$$

$$(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) = [(a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 0) \wedge (a_{p1} \dots a_{pq}, 1)] \vee [(a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 0) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)]$$

$$= (0_L, 0) \vee (0_L, 0)$$

$$= (0_L, 0)$$

$$\text{Hence, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$$

Subcase 1c.

$$\text{Let } a_{m1}, \dots, a_{ms} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\},$$

$$a_{p1}, \dots, a_{pq} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

$$\text{Now, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 0) \wedge [(a_{p1} \dots a_{pq}, 1) \vee (a_p \dots a_r)]$$

$$= (a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 0) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)$$

$$= (a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 0)$$

$$(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) = [(a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 0) \wedge (a_{p1} \dots a_{pq}, 1)] \vee [(a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 0) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)]$$

$$= (0_L, 0) \vee (a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 0)$$

$$= (a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 0)$$

$$\text{Hence, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$$

Subcase 1d.

$$\text{Let } a_{m1}, \dots, a_{ms} \notin \{a_p, \dots, a_r\},$$

$$a_{p1}, \dots, a_{pq} \notin \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

$$\text{Now, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 0) \wedge [(a_{p1} \dots a_{pq}, 1) \vee (a_p \dots a_r)]$$

$$= (a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 0) \wedge (a_{p1} \dots a_{pq} a_p \dots a_r)$$

$$= (0_L, 0)$$

$$(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) = [(a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 0) \wedge (a_{p1} \dots a_{pq}, 1)] \vee [(a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 0) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)]$$

$$= (0_L, 0) \vee (0_L, 0)$$

$$= (0_L, 0)$$

$$\text{Hence, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$$

Case 2.

$$\text{Let } x = (a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 1), y = (a_{p1} \dots a_{pq}, 0) \text{ and } z = (a_p \dots a_r), p < r \leq n$$

Subcase 2a.

$$\text{Let } a_{m1}, \dots, a_{ms} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\},$$

$$a_{p1}, \dots, a_{pq} \notin \{a_p \dots a_r\}$$

$$\text{Now, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 1) \wedge [(a_{p1} \dots a_{pq}, 0) \vee (a_p \dots a_r)]$$

$$= (a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 1) \wedge (a_{p1} \dots a_{pq} a_p \dots a_r)$$

$$= (a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 1)$$

$$(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) = [(a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 1) \wedge (a_{p1} \dots a_{pq}, 0)] \vee [(a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 1) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)]$$

$$= (0_L, 0) \vee (a_{m1} \dots a_{ms}, 1)$$

$$= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1)$$

$$\text{Hence, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$$

Subcase 2a₁.

Let $a_{m_1} = a_{p_1}, a_{m_2} = a_{p_2}, \dots, a_{m_t} = a_{p_t}, t < s,$

$$a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s}, a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

Now, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1) \wedge [(a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}}, 0) \vee (a_{p \dots a_r})]$

$$= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1) \wedge (a_{p \dots a_r})$$

$$= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1)$$

$$(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) = [(a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1) \wedge (a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}}, 0)] \vee [(a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1) \wedge (a_{p \dots a_r})]$$

$$= (0_L, 0) \vee (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1)$$

$$= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1)$$

$$\text{Therefore, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$$

Subcase 2b.

Let $a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s} \notin \{a_p, \dots, a_r\},$

$$a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

Now, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1) \wedge [(a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}}, 0) \vee (a_{p \dots a_r})]$

$$= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1) \wedge (a_{p \dots a_r})$$

$$= (0_L, 1)$$

$$(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) = [(a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1) \wedge (a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}}, 0)] \vee [(a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1) \wedge (a_{p \dots a_r})]$$

$$= (0_L, 0) \vee (0_L, 1)$$

$$= (0_L, 1)$$

$$\text{Hence, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$$

Subcase 2c.

Let $a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\},$

$$a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

Now, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1) \wedge [(a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}}, 0) \vee (a_{p \dots a_r})]$

$$= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1) \wedge (a_{p \dots a_r})$$

$$= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1)$$

$$(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) = [(a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1) \wedge (a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}}, 0)] \vee [(a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1) \wedge (a_{p \dots a_r})]$$

$$= (0_L, 0) \vee (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1)$$

$$= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1)$$

$$\text{Hence, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$$

Subcase 2d.

Let $a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s} \notin \{a_p, \dots, a_r\},$

$$a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} \notin \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

Now, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1) \wedge [(a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}}, 0) \vee (a_{p \dots a_r})]$

$$= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1) \wedge (a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}} a_{p \dots a_r})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (0_L, 1) \\
(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) &= [(a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1) \wedge (a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}}, 0)] \vee [(a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 1) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)] \\
&= (0_L, 0) \vee (0_L, 1) \\
&= (0_L, 1)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$$

Case 3.

Let $x = (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0)$, $y = (a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}}, 0)$ and $z = (a_p \dots a_r)$, $p < r \leq n$

Subcase 3a.

Let $a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$,

$$a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} \notin \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Now, } x \wedge (y \vee z) &= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0) \wedge [(a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}}, 0) \vee (a_p \dots a_r)] \\
&= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0) \wedge (a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}} a_p \dots a_r) \\
&= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0) \\
(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) &= [(a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0) \wedge (a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}}, 0)] \vee [(a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)] \\
&= (0_L, 0) \vee (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0) \\
&= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$$

Subcase 3a₁.

Let $a_{m_1} = a_{p_1}$, $a_{m_2} = a_{p_2}$, \dots , $a_{m_t} = a_{p_t}$, $t < s$,

$$a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s}, a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Now, } x \wedge (y \vee z) &= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0) \wedge [(a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}}, 0) \vee (a_p \dots a_r)] \\
&= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r) \\
&= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0) \\
(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) &= [(a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0) \wedge (a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}}, 0)] \vee [(a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)] \\
&= (0_L, 0) \vee (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0) \\
&= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$$

Subcase 3b.

Let $a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s} \notin \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$,

$$a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Now, } x \wedge (y \vee z) &= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0) \wedge [(a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}}, 0) \vee (a_p \dots a_r)] \\
&= (a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0) \wedge (a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}} a_p \dots a_r) \\
&= (0_L, 0) \\
(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) &= [(a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0) \wedge (a_{p_1 \dots a_{p_q}}, 0)] \vee [(a_{m_1 \dots a_{m_s}}, 0) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)] \\
&= (0_L, 0) \vee (0_L, 0) \\
&= (0_L, 0)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$$

Subcase 3c.

Let $a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$,

$$a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

Now, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0) \wedge [(a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 0) \vee (a_p \dots a_r)]$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)$$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0)$$

$(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) = [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0) \wedge (a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 0)] \vee [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)]$

$$= (0_L, 0) \vee (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0)$$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0)$$

Hence, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$

Subcase 3d.

Let $a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s} \notin \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$,

$$a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} \notin \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

Now, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0) \wedge [(a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 0) \vee (a_p \dots a_r)]$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0) \wedge (a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q} a_p \dots a_r)$$

$$= (0_L, 0)$$

$(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) = [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0) \wedge (a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 0)] \vee [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 0) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)]$

$$= (0_L, 0) \vee (0_L, 0)$$

$$= (0_L, 0)$$

Hence, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$

Case 4.

Let $x = (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1)$, $y = (a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 1)$ and $z = (a_p \dots a_r)$, $p < r \leq n$

Subcase 4a.

Let $a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$,

$$a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} \notin \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

Now, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge [(a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 1) \vee (a_p \dots a_r)]$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge (a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q} a_p \dots a_r)$$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1)$$

$(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) = [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge (a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 1)] \vee [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)]$

$$= (0_L, 1) \vee (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1)$$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1)$$

Hence, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$

Subcase 4a₁.

Let $a_{m_1} = a_{p_1}$, $a_{m_2} = a_{p_2}$, \dots , $a_{m_t} = a_{p_t}$, $t < s$,

$$a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s}, a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

Now, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge [(a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 1) \vee (a_p \dots a_r)]$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)$$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1)$$

$(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) = [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge (a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 1)] \vee [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)]$

$$= (0_L, 1) \vee (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1)$$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1)$$

$$\text{Therefore, } x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$$

Subcase 4b.

Let $a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s} \notin \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$,

$$a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

Now, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge [(a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 1) \vee (a_p \dots a_r)]$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)$$

$$= (0_L, 1)$$

$(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) = [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge (a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 1)] \vee [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)]$

$$= (0_L, 1) \vee (0_L, 1)$$

$$= (0_L, 1)$$

Hence, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$

Subcase 4c.

Let $a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$,

$$a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} \in \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

Now, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge [(a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 1) \vee (a_p \dots a_r)]$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)$$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1)$$

$(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) = [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge (a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 1)] \vee [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)]$

$$= (0_L, 1) \vee (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1)$$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1)$$

Hence, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$

Subcase 4d.

Let $a_{m_1}, \dots, a_{m_s} \notin \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$,

$$a_{p_1}, \dots, a_{p_q} \notin \{a_p, \dots, a_r\}$$

Now, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge [(a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 1) \vee (a_p \dots a_r)]$

$$= (a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge (a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q} a_p \dots a_r)$$

$$= (0_L, 1)$$

$(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) = [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge (a_{p_1} \dots a_{p_q}, 1)] \vee [(a_{m_1} \dots a_{m_s}, 1) \wedge (a_p \dots a_r)]$

$$= (0_L, 1) \vee (0_L, 0)$$

$$= (0_L, 1)$$

Hence, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$

Hence, in all the above cases, we see that when $x, y \in B_k \times C_2$ and $z \in B_n \setminus B_k$, x, y, z satisfy the distributive law.

In a similar way, in the cases when $x \in (B_k \times C_2) = B_{k+1}$ and $y, z \in B_n \setminus B_k$, it can be proved to satisfy the distributive law. In the cases when $x, y, z \in B_{k+1}$ and when $x, y, z \in B_n \setminus B_k$ the result follows, as B_n is distributive.

Thus, we conclude that $B_n(I)$ is distributive.

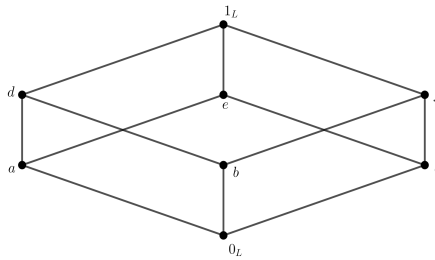


Figure 1: B_3

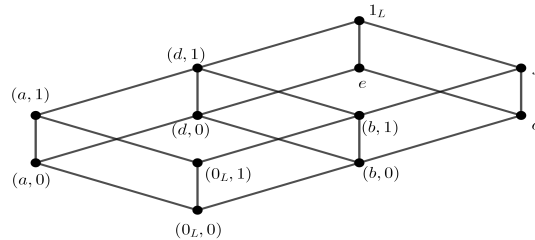


Figure 2: $B_3(I)$ where $I = [0_L, d]$

This $B_3(I)$ is distributive but not Boolean, as it is not complemented.

Corollary 2.2. *Doubling construction of a Boolean algebra by an interval containing 1 is always distributive.*

3. Special Cases - A Counter example

In this section, we give a counter example in which doubling of an intermediate interval of B_3 is not distributive. The following figure $B_3(I)$ contains the sublattice

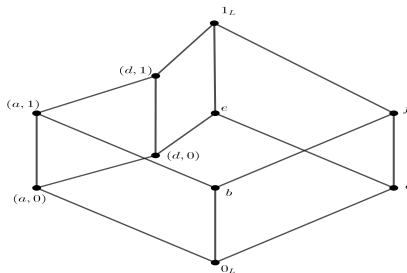


Figure 3: $B_3(I)$ where $I = [a, d]$

$\{0_L, (d, 0), (d, 1), c, 1_L\}$ in the form of N_5 , a non-modular lattice which shows that $B_3(I)$ is not distributive.

4. Conclusion

There is a scope of examining the effect of doubling construction in other types of lattices.

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