

# Completions of semilattices

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# Finitely generated varieties of lattice-based algebras

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$\mathbf{A}$  embeds into  $\hat{\mathbf{A}}$  via the embedding  
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► the natural extension  $n_{\mathcal{V}}(\mathbf{A})$  is the topological closure of  $e(\mathbf{A})$  in the topological space  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathcal{T}}^{\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{M})}$

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**C** is a **completion** of **A** if **C** is a complete lattice and there exists an order embedding  $e: \mathbf{A} \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}$

**C** is compact if

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for every down-directed up-set  $F$  and every up-directed down-set  $I$  of  $\mathbf{A}$

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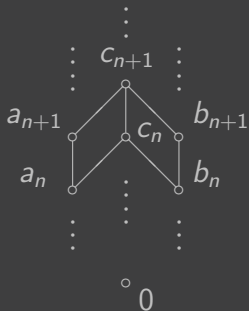
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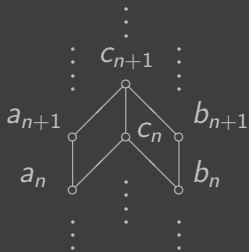
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- ▶ Can we relate the canonical extension of  $\mathbf{A}$  and its profinite completion  $\hat{\mathbf{A}}$ ?

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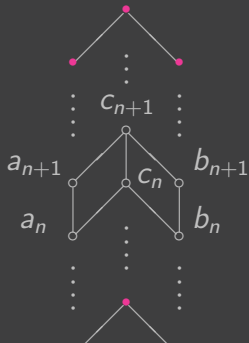


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We denote the canonical extension of a semilattice  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{S}$  by  $\mathbf{A}_{\vee}^{\delta}$ .



## Proposition

Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be a semilattice in  $\mathcal{S}$ . Then  $\mathbf{A}_{\vee}^{\delta}$  satisfies the  $\vee \wedge$  restricted distributive law:

$$\begin{aligned} \bigvee \{ \bigwedge e(Y) \mid Y \in \mathcal{Y} \} = \\ \bigwedge \{ \bigvee e(Z) \mid Z \subseteq A, \forall Y \in \mathcal{Y} \ Z \cap Y \neq \emptyset \}, \end{aligned}$$

for every family  $\mathcal{Y}$  of down-directed subsets of  $A$ .

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Let  $\mathbf{L}$  be a lattice with  $0$  and let  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{L}_\vee$  be its semilattice reduct in  $\mathcal{S}$

The lattice  $\mathbf{A}_\vee^\delta$  is the canonical extension of  $\mathbf{L}$ .

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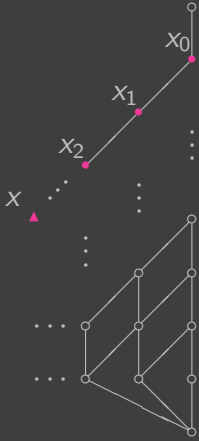


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Suppose the poset  $\mathcal{I}_P(\mathbf{L})$  of prime ideals of  $\mathbf{L}$  has finite width.

The canonical extension of  $\mathbf{L}$  is isomorphic to the profinite completion  $\widehat{\mathbf{L}}_{\vee}$  of its  $\vee$ -semilattice reduct  $\mathbf{L}_{\vee}$ .

Thank you!