

# Orthogonal relational systems

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**Motivation:** generalising the theory of partially ordered sets and pre-ordered sets.

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## Upper cone

$U_R(a, b) = \{x \in A \mid (a, x) \in R \text{ and } (b, x) \in R\}$  is the *upper cone* of  $a, b \in A$  (with respect to  $R$ ).



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**Obs:** the groupoid induced by a relational system is not unique!!



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Any orthogroupoid induces a relational system  $\mathbf{A}(G) = \langle G, R_G \rangle$ , where  $(a, b) \in R_G$  if and only if  $a + b = b$ .

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## Theorem 2

Let  $\mathbf{A} = \langle A, R, ', 1 \rangle$  be an orthogonal relational system with  $R$  reflexive and transitive. Then any induced groupoid is an orthogroupoid.

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In a Church algebra the following operations are definable

$$x \wedge y = q(x, y, 0)$$

$$x \vee y = q(x, 1, y)$$

$$x^* = q(x, 0, 1)$$

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## Theorem (Salibra, Ledda, Paoli and Kowalski)

Let  $\mathbf{A}$  a Church algebra. Then  $Ce(\mathbf{A}) = \langle Ce(A), \wedge, \vee, *, 0, 1 \rangle$  is a Boolean algebra isomorphic to the Boolean algebra of factor congruences of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

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Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be 0-commutative orthogroupoid and  $\text{Ce}(\mathbf{A})$  the set of central elements. Then  $\text{Ce}(\mathbf{A}) = \langle \text{Ce}(\mathbf{A}), +, \cdot, ', 0, 1 \rangle$  is a Boolean algebra.

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Let  $\mathbf{A}$  a 0-commutative orthogroupoid s.t.  $Ce(\mathbf{A})$  is a Boolean algebra with a denumerable number of atoms. Then

$$\mathbf{A} = \prod_{e \in At(\mathbf{A})} \mathbf{A}_e$$

is a decomposition as product of directly indecomposable algebras.

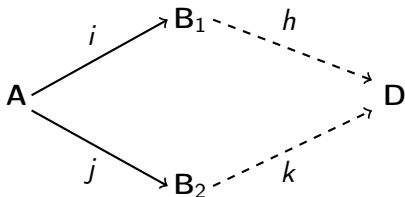
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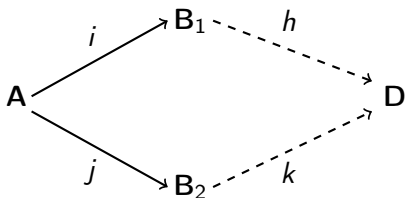
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In particular  $\mathcal{K}$  has the **strong amalgamation property** if  $k$  and  $h$  can be taken s.t.  $k \circ j(\mathbf{A}) = h(\mathbf{B}_1) \cap k(\mathbf{B}_2)$ .

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## Sketch of the proof

Given a V-formation, let  $D = B_1 \cup B_2$ ,  $x'^D = x'^{B_i}$  and

$$x \oplus y = \begin{cases} x +^{B_i} y, & \text{if } x, y \in B_i; \\ 1, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$\mathbf{D} = \langle D, \oplus, ', 1 \rangle$  is an orthogroupoid.

Assuming with no loss of generality  $B_1 \cap B_2 = A$  one gets the conclusion.

The end!

Thanks for your attention!!