

# Prime Ideals and Filters<sup>1</sup>

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**Summary.** The part of [12, pp. 73–77], i.e. definitions and propositions 3.16–3.27, is formalized in the paper.

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The notation and terminology used in this paper are introduced in the following articles: [22], [25], [8], [24], [19], [26], [27], [7], [11], [6], [20], [10], [15], [21], [23], [1], [2], [3], [14], [9], [16], [17], [5], [4], [18], and [13].

## 1. THE LATTICE OF SUBSETS

One can prove the following propositions:

- (1) For every complete lattice  $L$  and for every ideal  $I$  of  $L$  holds  $\perp_L \in I$ .
- (2) For every upper-bounded non empty poset  $L$  and for every filter  $F$  of  $L$  holds  $\top_L \in F$ .
- (3) For every complete lattice  $L$  and for all sets  $X, Y$  such that  $X \subseteq Y$  holds  $\bigsqcup_L X \leq \bigsqcup_L Y$  and  $\bigsqcap_L X \geq \bigsqcap_L Y$ .
- (4) For every set  $X$  holds the carrier of  $2_{\subseteq}^X = 2^X$ .
- (5) For every bounded antisymmetric non empty relational structure  $L$  holds  $L$  is trivial iff  $\top_L = \perp_L$ .

Let  $X$  be a set. Note that  $2_{\subseteq}^X$  is Boolean.

Let  $X$  be a non empty set. Note that  $2_{\subseteq}^X$  is non trivial.

We now state three propositions:

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- (6) For every upper-bounded non empty poset  $L$  holds  $\{\top_L\} = \uparrow(\top_L)$ .
- (7) For every lower-bounded non empty poset  $L$  holds  $\{\perp_L\} = \downarrow(\perp_L)$ .
- (8) For every lower-bounded non empty poset  $L$  and for every filter  $F$  of  $L$  holds  $F$  is proper iff  $\perp_L \notin F$ .

One can verify that there exists a lattice which is non trivial, Boolean, and strict.

Let  $L$  be a non trivial upper-bounded non empty poset. One can check that there exists a filter of  $L$  which is proper.

Next we state several propositions:

- (9) For every set  $X$  and for every element  $a$  of  $2_{\subseteq}^X$  holds  $\neg a = X \setminus a$ .
- (10) Let  $X$  be a set and  $Y$  be a subset of  $2_{\subseteq}^X$ . Then  $Y$  is lower if and only if for all sets  $x, y$  such that  $x \subseteq y$  and  $y \in Y$  holds  $x \in Y$ .
- (11) Let  $X$  be a set and  $Y$  be a subset of  $2_{\subseteq}^X$ . Then  $Y$  is upper if and only if for all sets  $x, y$  such that  $x \subseteq y$  and  $y \subseteq X$  and  $x \in Y$  holds  $y \in Y$ .
- (12) Let  $X$  be a set and  $Y$  be a lower subset of  $2_{\subseteq}^X$ . Then  $Y$  is directed if and only if for all sets  $x, y$  such that  $x \in Y$  and  $y \in Y$  holds  $x \cup y \in Y$ .
- (13) Let  $X$  be a set and  $Y$  be an upper subset of  $2_{\subseteq}^X$ . Then  $Y$  is filtered if and only if for all sets  $x, y$  such that  $x \in Y$  and  $y \in Y$  holds  $x \cap y \in Y$ .
- (14) Let  $X$  be a set and  $Y$  be a non empty lower subset of  $2_{\subseteq}^X$ . Then  $Y$  is directed if and only if for every finite family  $Z$  of subsets of  $X$  such that  $Z \subseteq Y$  holds  $\bigcup Z \in Y$ .
- (15) Let  $X$  be a set and  $Y$  be a non empty upper subset of  $2_{\subseteq}^X$ . Then  $Y$  is filtered if and only if for every finite family  $Z$  of subsets of  $X$  such that  $Z \subseteq Y$  holds  $\text{Intersect}(Z) \in Y$ .

## 2. PRIME IDEALS AND FILTERS

Let  $L$  be a poset with g.l.b.'s and let  $I$  be an ideal of  $L$ . We say that  $I$  is prime if and only if:

- (Def. 1) For all elements  $x, y$  of  $L$  such that  $x \sqcap y \in I$  holds  $x \in I$  or  $y \in I$ .

One can prove the following proposition

- (16) Let  $L$  be a poset with g.l.b.'s and  $I$  be an ideal of  $L$ . Then  $I$  is prime if and only if for every finite non empty subset  $A$  of  $L$  such that  $\inf A \in I$  there exists an element  $a$  of  $L$  such that  $a \in A$  and  $a \in I$ .

Let  $L$  be a lattice. Note that there exists an ideal of  $L$  which is prime.

Next we state the proposition

- (17) Let  $L_1, L_2$  be lattices. Suppose the relational structure of  $L_1 =$  the relational structure of  $L_2$ . Let  $x$  be a set. If  $x$  is a prime ideal of  $L_1$ , then  $x$  is a prime ideal of  $L_2$ .

Let  $L$  be a poset with l.u.b.'s and let  $F$  be a filter of  $L$ . We say that  $F$  is prime if and only if:

(Def. 2) For all elements  $x, y$  of  $L$  such that  $x \sqcup y \in F$  holds  $x \in F$  or  $y \in F$ .

Next we state the proposition

- (18) Let  $L$  be a poset with l.u.b.'s and  $F$  be a filter of  $L$ . Then  $F$  is prime if and only if for every finite non empty subset  $A$  of  $L$  such that  $\sup A \in F$  there exists an element  $a$  of  $L$  such that  $a \in A$  and  $a \in F$ .

Let  $L$  be a lattice. One can verify that there exists a filter of  $L$  which is prime.

The following propositions are true:

- (19) Let  $L_1, L_2$  be lattices. Suppose the relational structure of  $L_1 =$  the relational structure of  $L_2$ . Let  $x$  be a set. If  $x$  is a prime filter of  $L_1$ , then  $x$  is a prime filter of  $L_2$ .
- (20) Let  $L$  be a lattice and  $x$  be a set. Then  $x$  is a prime ideal of  $L$  if and only if  $x$  is a prime filter of  $L^{\text{op}}$ .
- (21) Let  $L$  be a lattice and  $x$  be a set. Then  $x$  is a prime filter of  $L$  if and only if  $x$  is a prime ideal of  $L^{\text{op}}$ .
- (22) Let  $L$  be a poset with g.l.b.'s and  $I$  be an ideal of  $L$ . Then  $I$  is prime if and only if one of the following conditions is satisfied:
- (i)  $-I$  is a filter of  $L$ , or
  - (ii)  $-I = \emptyset$ .
- (23) For every lattice  $L$  and for every ideal  $I$  of  $L$  holds  $I$  is prime iff  $I \in \text{PRIME}(\langle \text{Ids}(L), \subseteq \rangle)$ .
- (24) Let  $L$  be a Boolean lattice and  $F$  be a filter of  $L$ . Then  $F$  is prime if and only if for every element  $a$  of  $L$  holds  $a \in F$  or  $\neg a \in F$ .
- (25) Let  $X$  be a set and  $F$  be a filter of  $2_{\subseteq}^X$ . Then  $F$  is prime if and only if for every subset  $A$  of  $X$  holds  $A \in F$  or  $X \setminus A \in F$ .

Let  $L$  be a non empty poset and let  $F$  be a filter of  $L$ . We say that  $F$  is ultra if and only if:

(Def. 3)  $F$  is proper and for every filter  $G$  of  $L$  such that  $F \subseteq G$  holds  $F = G$  or  $G =$  the carrier of  $L$ .

Let  $L$  be a non empty poset. Note that every filter of  $L$  which is ultra is also proper.

The following propositions are true:

- (26) For every Boolean lattice  $L$  and for every filter  $F$  of  $L$  holds  $F$  is proper and prime iff  $F$  is ultra.
- (27) Let  $L$  be a distributive lattice,  $I$  be an ideal of  $L$ , and  $F$  be a filter of  $L$ . Suppose  $I$  misses  $F$ . Then there exists an ideal  $P$  of  $L$  such that  $P$  is prime and  $I \subseteq P$  and  $P$  misses  $F$ .
- (28) Let  $L$  be a distributive lattice,  $I$  be an ideal of  $L$ , and  $x$  be an element of  $L$ . If  $x \notin I$ , then there exists an ideal  $P$  of  $L$  such that  $P$  is prime and  $I \subseteq P$  and  $x \notin P$ .
- (29) Let  $L$  be a distributive lattice,  $I$  be an ideal of  $L$ , and  $F$  be a filter of  $L$ . Suppose  $I$  misses  $F$ . Then there exists a filter  $P$  of  $L$  such that  $P$  is

prime and  $F \subseteq P$  and  $I$  misses  $P$ .

- (30) Let  $L$  be a non trivial Boolean lattice and  $F$  be a proper filter of  $L$ . Then there exists a filter  $G$  of  $L$  such that  $F \subseteq G$  and  $G$  is ultra.

### 3. CLUSTER POINTS OF A FILTER OF SETS

Let  $T$  be a topological space and let  $F, x$  be sets. We say that  $x$  is a cluster point of  $F, T$  if and only if:

- (Def. 4) For every subset  $A$  of  $T$  such that  $A$  is open and  $x \in A$  and for every set  $B$  such that  $B \in F$  holds  $A$  meets  $B$ .

We say that  $x$  is a convergence point of  $F, T$  if and only if:

- (Def. 5) For every subset  $A$  of  $T$  such that  $A$  is open and  $x \in A$  holds  $A \in F$ .

Let  $X$  be a non empty set. Note that there exists a filter of  $2_{\subseteq}^X$  which is ultra.

We now state several propositions:

- (31) Let  $T$  be a non empty topological space,  $F$  be an ultra filter of  $2_{\subseteq}^{\text{the carrier of } T}$ , and  $p$  be a set. Then  $p$  is a cluster point of  $F, T$  if and only if  $p$  is a convergence point of  $F, T$ .
- (32) Let  $T$  be a non empty topological space and  $x, y$  be elements of  $\langle \text{the topology of } T, \subseteq \rangle$ . Suppose  $x \ll y$ . Let  $F$  be a proper filter of  $2_{\subseteq}^{\text{the carrier of } T}$ . Suppose  $x \in F$ . Then there exists an element  $p$  of  $T$  such that  $p \in y$  and  $p$  is a cluster point of  $F, T$ .
- (33) Let  $T$  be a non empty topological space and  $x, y$  be elements of  $\langle \text{the topology of } T, \subseteq \rangle$ . Suppose  $x \ll y$ . Let  $F$  be an ultra filter of  $2_{\subseteq}^{\text{the carrier of } T}$ . Suppose  $x \in F$ . Then there exists an element  $p$  of  $T$  such that  $p \in y$  and  $p$  is a convergence point of  $F, T$ .
- (34) Let  $T$  be a non empty topological space and  $x, y$  be elements of  $\langle \text{the topology of } T, \subseteq \rangle$ . Suppose that
- (i)  $x \subseteq y$ , and
  - (ii) for every ultra filter  $F$  of  $2_{\subseteq}^{\text{the carrier of } T}$  such that  $x \in F$  there exists an element  $p$  of  $T$  such that  $p \in y$  and  $p$  is a convergence point of  $F, T$ .
- Then  $x \ll y$ .
- (35) Let  $T$  be a non empty topological space,  $B$  be a prebasis of  $T$ , and  $x, y$  be elements of  $\langle \text{the topology of } T, \subseteq \rangle$ . Suppose  $x \subseteq y$ . Then  $x \ll y$  if and only if for every subset  $F$  of  $B$  such that  $y \subseteq \bigcup F$  there exists a finite subset  $G$  of  $F$  such that  $x \subseteq \bigcup G$ .
- (36) Let  $L$  be a distributive complete lattice and  $x, y$  be elements of  $L$ . Then  $x \ll y$  if and only if for every prime ideal  $P$  of  $L$  such that  $y \leq \sup P$  holds  $x \in P$ .
- (37) For every lattice  $L$  and for every element  $p$  of  $L$  such that  $p$  is prime holds  $\downarrow p$  is prime.

4. PSEUDO PRIME ELEMENTS

Let  $L$  be a lattice and let  $p$  be an element of  $L$ . We say that  $p$  is pseudoprime if and only if:

(Def. 6) There exists a prime ideal  $P$  of  $L$  such that  $p = \sup P$ .

We now state several propositions:

- (38) For every lattice  $L$  and for every element  $p$  of  $L$  such that  $p$  is prime holds  $p$  is pseudoprime.
- (39) Let  $L$  be a continuous lattice and  $p$  be an element of  $L$ . Suppose  $p$  is pseudoprime. Let  $A$  be a finite non empty subset of  $L$ . If  $\inf A \ll p$ , then there exists an element  $a$  of  $L$  such that  $a \in A$  and  $a \leq p$ .
- (40) Let  $L$  be a continuous lattice and  $p$  be an element of  $L$ . Suppose that
  - (i)  $p \neq \top_L$  or  $\top_L$  is not compact, and
  - (ii) for every finite non empty subset  $A$  of  $L$  such that  $\inf A \ll p$  there exists an element  $a$  of  $L$  such that  $a \in A$  and  $a \leq p$ .
 Then  $\uparrow \text{fininfs}(-\downarrow p)$  misses  $\downarrow p$ .
- (41) Let  $L$  be a continuous lattice. Suppose  $\top_L$  is compact. Then
  - (i) for every finite non empty subset  $A$  of  $L$  such that  $\inf A \ll \top_L$  there exists an element  $a$  of  $L$  such that  $a \in A$  and  $a \leq \top_L$ , and
  - (ii)  $\uparrow \text{fininfs}(-\downarrow(\top_L))$  meets  $\downarrow(\top_L)$ .
- (42) Let  $L$  be a continuous lattice and  $p$  be an element of  $L$ . Suppose  $\uparrow \text{fininfs}(-\downarrow p)$  misses  $\downarrow p$ . Let  $A$  be a finite non empty subset of  $L$ . If  $\inf A \ll p$ , then there exists an element  $a$  of  $L$  such that  $a \in A$  and  $a \leq p$ .
- (43) Let  $L$  be a distributive continuous lattice and  $p$  be an element of  $L$ . If  $\uparrow \text{fininfs}(-\downarrow p)$  misses  $\downarrow p$ , then  $p$  is pseudoprime.

Let  $L$  be a non empty relational structure and let  $R$  be a binary relation on the carrier of  $L$ . We say that  $R$  is multiplicative if and only if:

(Def. 7) For all elements  $a, x, y$  of  $L$  such that  $\langle a, x \rangle \in R$  and  $\langle a, y \rangle \in R$  holds  $\langle a, x \sqcap y \rangle \in R$ .

Let  $L$  be a lower-bounded sup-semilattice, let  $R$  be an auxiliary binary relation on  $L$ , and let  $x$  be an element of  $L$ . Observe that  $\uparrow_R x$  is upper.

We now state several propositions:

- (44) Let  $L$  be a lower-bounded lattice and  $R$  be an auxiliary binary relation on  $L$ . Then  $R$  is multiplicative if and only if for every element  $x$  of  $L$  holds  $\uparrow_R x$  is filtered.
- (45) Let  $L$  be a lower-bounded lattice and  $R$  be an auxiliary binary relation on  $L$ . Then  $R$  is multiplicative if and only if for all elements  $a, b, x, y$  of  $L$  such that  $\langle a, x \rangle \in R$  and  $\langle b, y \rangle \in R$  holds  $\langle a \sqcap b, x \sqcap y \rangle \in R$ .
- (46) Let  $L$  be a lower-bounded lattice and  $R$  be an auxiliary binary relation on  $L$ . Then  $R$  is multiplicative if and only if for every full relational

substructure  $S$  of  $[L, L]$  such that the carrier of  $S = R$  holds  $S$  is meet-inheriting.

- (47) Let  $L$  be a lower-bounded lattice and  $R$  be an auxiliary binary relation on  $L$ . Then  $R$  is multiplicative if and only if  $\downarrow R$  is meet-preserving.
- (48) Let  $L$  be a continuous lower-bounded lattice. Suppose  $\ll_L$  is multiplicative. Let  $p$  be an element of  $L$ . Then  $p$  is pseudoprime if and only if for all elements  $a, b$  of  $L$  such that  $a \sqcap b \ll p$  holds  $a \leq p$  or  $b \leq p$ .
- (49) Let  $L$  be a continuous lower-bounded lattice. Suppose  $\ll_L$  is multiplicative. Let  $p$  be an element of  $L$ . If  $p$  is pseudoprime, then  $p$  is prime.
- (50) Let  $L$  be a distributive continuous lower-bounded lattice. Suppose that for every element  $p$  of  $L$  such that  $p$  is pseudoprime holds  $p$  is prime. Then  $\ll_L$  is multiplicative.

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