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Recap: Syntax of Algebra

An algebraic language is a list of function symbols $\mathcal{L} = (f_0, f_1, ...)$, where each f_i stands for an m_i -ary function. Then, m_i is called the **arity** of f_i and the list $\rho = (m_0, m_1, ...)$ is called the **similarity type** of \mathcal{L} .

The terms in an algebraic language ${\mathcal L}$ are defined inductively as follows.

1 Variables x, y, z, \ldots are terms.

2 If t_0, \ldots, t_{n-1} are terms, and f is an *n*-ary function symbol in \mathcal{L} , so is $f(t_0, \ldots, t_{n-1})$. A 0-ary function symbol is also called a **constant**. A constant is a term by itself.

For two terms s, t, the symbol string s = t is called an **equation**. A set of equations is called an **(equational) theory**.

Example: Group theory G_p is formalized in an algebraic language $\mathcal{L} = (\cdot, -1, e)$. A symbol string such as $x^{-1} \cdot x$ is a term, and $x^{-1} \cdot x = e$ is an equation. G_p can be regarded as a set $\{(x \cdot y) \cdot z = x \cdot (y \cdot z), e \cdot x = x, x^{-1} \cdot x = e\}$.

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Recap: Deduction System

Definition

The **deduction system** of equational theory T consists of the following axioms and inference rules:

- (1) The equations belonging to T are axioms.
- (2) Equations of the form t = t (refl) are axioms.
- (3) The following four diagrams are inference rules

$$\frac{s=t}{t=s} \text{ (sym)}, \qquad \frac{s=t}{s=u} t=u \text{ (trans)},$$
$$\frac{s(x)=t(x)}{s(u)=t(u)} \text{ (sub)}, \qquad \frac{s_1=t_1 \dots s_n=t_n}{\mathbf{f}(s_1,\dots,s_n)=\mathbf{f}(t_1,\dots,t_n)} \text{ (comp)}.$$

each of which expresses that the lower formula holds when the upper holds. Here, $s, t, s_i, t_i, u(1 \le i \le n)$ are terms, x is a variable, and f is any function symbol in T.

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Definition

A **proof tree** (or **proof**) in equational theory T is defined inductively as follows:

- 1 An equation as an axiom is a proof tree by itself.
- 2 If P_i is a proof tree for $s_i = t_i \ (1 \le i \le n)$, and

$$\frac{s_1 = t_1 \dots s_n = t_n}{s = t}$$

Recap: Proof Trees

is an inference rule, then

$$\frac{P_1 \ \dots \ P_r}{s=t}$$

is a proof tree for s = t. If s = t has a proof tree in T, we write

 $T \vdash s = t,$

where \vdash is read as "turnstile".

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Recap: Examples of proof trees

We work in equational theory G_p unless otherwise noted. We write xy in short for $x \cdot y$. Example 1-1: A proof tree P_1 for $(x^{-1}x)x^{-1} = x^{-1}$

Let P_1 be the following proof tree for $(x^{-1}x)x^{-1} = x^{-1}$,

$$\frac{x^{-1}x = \mathbf{e} \quad x^{-1} = x^{-1}}{(x^{-1}x)x^{-1} = \mathbf{e}x^{-1}} \text{ (comp)} \quad \frac{\mathbf{e}x = x}{\mathbf{e}x^{-1} = x^{-1}} \text{ (sub)}$$
$$\frac{(x^{-1}x)x^{-1} = x^{-1}}{(x^{-1}x)x^{-1} = x^{-1}} \text{ (trans)}.$$

 \checkmark Example 1-2: A proof tree P_2 for $x^{-1}(xx^{-1})=(x^{-1}x)x^{-1}$ -

$$\frac{(xy)z = x(yz)}{(x^{-1}x)x^{-1} = x^{-1}(xx^{-1})} \text{ (sub × 3 times)}$$

$$\frac{(x^{-1}x)x^{-1} = (x^{-1}x)x^{-1}}{(xx^{-1}) = (x^{-1}x)x^{-1}} \text{ (sym)}$$

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Recap: Algebraic structures

Definition

An algebraic structure A in a language L = (f₀, f₁,...) (or simply L-algebra) consists of a non-empty set A and a list of m_i-ary functions f_i^A : A^{m_i} → A, that is,

$$\mathfrak{A} = (A, \mathbf{f}_0^{\mathfrak{A}}, \mathbf{f}_1^{\mathfrak{A}}, \dots).$$

- We say that A is the **domain** or **universe** of \mathfrak{A} , denoted by $|\mathfrak{A}|$.
- For a 0-ary function symbol or constant c, $c^{\mathfrak{A}}$ is an element of A.
- If an equation α holds in a structure M, we write M ⊨ α. If all the equations in theory T holds, we also write M ⊨ T, and we say that M is a model of T. Here ⊨ is read as "double turnstile".
- If an equation α holds for all models of a theory T, α is said to be a consequence of T or σ is valid in T, written as $T \models \sigma$

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Birkhoff's theorems

• For an equational theory T, the following holds.

— Birkhoff's completeness theorem (1935) ——

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T \models s = t \Leftrightarrow T \vdash s = t.
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- T ⊨ s = t ⇐ T ⊢ s = t (the soundness of T) is easy. Let M be any model of T. Then we can show by induction that all equations appearing in a proof tree for T ⊢ s = t holds in M. Especially the bottom s = t holds in M.
- To show the contrapositive, we first assume T ∀ s = t, and construct a structure M such that M ⊨ T and M ⊭ s = t. Such a structure is obtained as the "free algebra" generated by the variables appearing in s, t.



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- subalgebras,
- homomorphisms,
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Today's topics



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- Part 1. Equational theory
- Part 2. First order theory
- Part 3. Model theory
- Part 4. First order arithmetic and incompleteness theorems

Part 1. Schedule

- Sep. 21, (1) Formal systems of equation
- Sep. 28, (2) Free algebras and Birkhoff's theorem
- Oct. 12, (3) Boolean algebras
- Oct. 19, (4) Computable functions and general recursive functions

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• Today, we are going to prove Birkhoff's completeness theorem and equational class (variety) theorem.

 $\bullet\,$ Fix an algebraic language ${\cal L}.$ Unless otherwise stated, we only consider algebraic structures in this language.

Definition

An algebra \mathfrak{B} is said to be a **subalgebra** of an algebra \mathfrak{A} (denote $\mathfrak{B} \subseteq \mathfrak{A}$) if $|\mathfrak{B}| \subseteq |\mathfrak{A}|$ and for each function symbol $\mathfrak{f} \in \mathcal{L}$ and $b_0, \ldots, b_{n-1} \in |\mathfrak{B}|$,

$$\mathbf{f}^{\mathfrak{A}}(b_0,\ldots,b_{n-1})=\mathbf{f}^{\mathfrak{B}}(b_0,\ldots,b_{n-1}).$$

Definition

Let \mathfrak{A} be an algebra and $X \subseteq |\mathfrak{A}|$. An algebra \mathfrak{B} is the subalgebra **generated** by X if it is the smallest subalgebra of \mathfrak{A} containing X.

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Introduction to Boolean Algebr Let $\mathfrak{A} = (\mathbb{Z}, +, -, 0)$ be a group and $X \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$. The elements of the subalgebra generated by X are the numbers expressed as $n_1x_1 + n_2x_2 + \cdots + n_kx_k$ $(x_i \in X, n_i \in \mathbb{Z})$. In particular, the subalgebra generated by $X = \{2\}$ is the group (E, +, -, 0), where E is the set of even numbers.

Definition

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Let \mathcal{K} be a class of \mathcal{L} -algebras. Let $\mathfrak{A} \in \mathcal{K}$ and $X \subseteq |\mathfrak{A}|$. We say that \mathfrak{A} is a **free** \mathcal{K} -**algebra** generated by X if

- $\textcircled{1} \mathfrak{A} \text{ is generated by } X$
- **2** Every map $\phi: X \to |\mathfrak{B}|$ with $\mathfrak{B} \in \mathcal{K}$ can be uniquely extended to the homomorphism $\hat{\phi}: \mathfrak{A} \to \mathfrak{B}$.

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- Example 8

Let \mathcal{K} be a class of groups. The group $\mathfrak{A} = (\mathbb{Z}, +, -, 0)$ is the free \mathcal{K} -algebra (the free group) generated by $X = \{1\}$. Indeed, for a group $\mathfrak{G} = (\mathbf{G}, *, \ ^{\sim}, e)$ and a homomorphism ϕ defined by

$$\phi(1) = g \in \mathbf{G}$$

then we have a unique homomorphism $\hat{\phi}:\mathfrak{A}\to\mathfrak{B}$ such that

$$\hat{\phi}(n) = g^n$$

where g^n is obtained by multiplying g n-times with * if n > 0, and multiplying g^{\sim} n-times with * if n < 0. When n = 0, it is defined as $g^n = e$.

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Lemma

Let \mathfrak{A} and \mathfrak{B} are free \mathcal{K} -algebras generated by X and Y, respectively. If X and Y have the same cardinality, then we have $\mathfrak{A} \cong \mathfrak{B}$.

Proof. Since X and Y have the same cardinality, we have a bijection $\phi: X \to Y$. Since \mathfrak{A} , \mathfrak{B} are free \mathcal{L} -algebras, maps ϕ , ϕ^{-1} are uniquely extended to homomorphisms,

$$\hat{\phi}: \mathfrak{A} \to \mathfrak{B}, \ \widehat{\phi^{-1}}: \mathfrak{B} \to \mathfrak{A}.$$

Then, $\widehat{\phi^{-1}}\widehat{\phi}$ is a homomorphism from \mathfrak{A} to \mathfrak{A} , which is an extension of $\mathrm{id}_X = \phi^{-1}\phi$. By the uniqueness of the extension, we have

$$\widehat{\phi^{-1}}\widehat{\phi} = \mathrm{id}_A.$$

Similarly, we have

$$\widehat{\phi}\widehat{\phi^{-1}} = \mathrm{id}_B.$$

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Thus $\mathfrak{A} \cong \mathfrak{B}$. (see also Problem 5).

Problem 7

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Introduction to Boolean Algebra (Today's exercise) Let $\mathcal{L} = \{g_1, g_2, h\}$. We define the set of equations E as follows.

 $E = \{h(g_1(x), g_2(x)) = x, g_1(h(x, y)) = x, g_2(h(x, y)) = y\}$

Let \mathcal{K} be Mod(E), the class of models of E. Show that all finitely generated free \mathcal{K} -algebras are isomorphic.

Now, we will see a concrete construction of free algebras.

Let X be a set of variables. Let Term(X) be the set of \mathcal{L} -terms whose variables are all contained in X.

We define an \mathcal{L} -algebra $\mathcal{T}(X) = (\text{Term}(X), \mathbf{f}_0^{\mathcal{T}(X)}, \mathbf{f}_1^{\mathcal{T}(X)}, \dots)$, called a term algebra, as follows: for each function symbol \mathbf{f} in \mathcal{L} ,

$$\mathbf{f}^{\mathcal{T}(X)}(t_0,\ldots,t_{n-1})=\mathbf{f}(t_0,\ldots,t_{n-1}).$$

Here, the right-hand side $f(t_0, \ldots, t_{n-1})$ is a term as a symbol string $r_{\mathcal{B}}$, and $r_{\mathcal{B}}$, a

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Lemma

If a class of \mathcal{L} -algebra \mathcal{K} contains $\mathcal{T}(X)$, then $\mathcal{T}(X)$ is a free \mathcal{K} -algebra generated by X.

Proof.

- Obviously, $\mathcal{T}(X)$ is an \mathcal{L} -algebra generated by X. So, we only need to check condition 2 of the definition of free algebra.
- Let $\mathfrak{B} \in \mathcal{K}$ and $\phi: X \to |\mathfrak{B}|$ be a morphism. Then we define a homomorphism $\hat{\phi}: \mathcal{T}(X) \to \mathfrak{B}$ inductively as follows: 1 $\hat{\phi}(x) = \phi(x)$ for $x \in X$. 2 $\hat{\phi}(\mathfrak{f}(t_0, \dots, t_{n-1})) = \mathfrak{f}^{\mathfrak{B}}(\hat{\phi}(t_0), \dots, \hat{\phi}(t_{n-1}))$.
- Then, it is clear that $\hat{\phi}$ is a homomorphism extending ϕ .
- In addition, since any homomorphism always satisfies the above equation, it is easy to see the uniqueness.

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Definition

Let \mathfrak{A} an algebra and $s, t \in \text{Term}(X)$. We say that the equation s = t holds in \mathfrak{A} if for every homomorphism $\phi : \mathcal{T}(X) \to \mathfrak{A}$, we have $\phi(s) = \phi(t)$. Then we denote this by

 $\mathfrak{A} \models \mathbf{s} = \mathbf{t}.$

A homomorphism $\phi : \mathcal{T}(X) \to \mathfrak{A}$ can be viewed as an evaluation function of terms. The value of a term s is uniquely obtained from the values $\phi(x)$ for variables x in s.

Thus, 𝔅 ⊨ s = t means that two terms s, t always have the same value on 𝔅 whichever elements of |𝔅| are assigned to the variables.

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Definition

Let E be a set of equations on $\operatorname{Term}(X)$. If $\mathfrak{A} \models \alpha$ holds for all $\alpha \in E$, we write

 $\mathfrak{A} \models \mathbf{E}.$

Moreover, we adopt the following notation:

 $Mod(\mathbf{E}) = \{\mathfrak{A} \in \mathcal{K} : \mathfrak{A} \models E\},\$ $\mathbf{E} \models \alpha \Leftrightarrow \text{ for all } \mathfrak{A} \in Mod(E), \mathfrak{A} \models \alpha.$

In the last lecture, we introduce a formal derivation system of equations. If we can formally derive s = t from the equational theory E, we denote this by

 $\mathbf{E} \vdash \mathbf{s} = \mathbf{t}$

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We are now ready to prove

Theorem (Birkhoff completeness theorem)

$$E \models \alpha \Leftrightarrow E \vdash \alpha.$$

Proof.

- \Leftarrow is easy to show as follows.
 - Suppose $E \vdash s = t$ and take a proof tree P for this.
 - Let \mathfrak{M} be a model of E. Since the equations at the top levels of the proof tree P are either the axiom of E or t = t, they naturally hold in \mathfrak{M} .
 - If the premises (upper equations) of each inference rule in our derivation system hold in \mathfrak{M} , then clearly the conclusion (lower equation) also holds.

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- Therefore, by induction, all equations in the proof tree of E hold in $\mathfrak{M}.$
- In particular, the bottom equation s = t holds in \mathfrak{M} .

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Introduction to Boolean Algebra \Rightarrow will be shown after proving some lemmas on free algebras and congruence relations.

Lemma

Let *E* be a set of equations on Term(X), and let \equiv_E be a relation on Term(X) defined by $s \equiv_E t \Leftrightarrow E \vdash s = t$. Then, the following hold: (1) \equiv_E is a congruence relation.

- (2) For any homom. $\phi : \mathcal{T}(X) \to \mathcal{T}(X), \quad s \equiv_E t \Rightarrow \phi(s) \equiv_E \phi(t).$
- (3) For any homom. $\phi: \mathcal{T}(X) \to \mathcal{T}(X)/\equiv_E$, there exists a hom. $\psi: \mathcal{T}(X) \to \mathcal{T}(X)$ s.t.

$$\phi = \pi_{\equiv_E} \circ \psi.$$

Note. A relation \equiv that satisfies the lemma is called an invariant congruence relation. Proof.

- (1) can be proved directly from the definition of derivation system.
- For (2), note that the value of $\phi(s)$ is uniquely determined by the values of x's in X (cf. the proof on P.15). For example, when $\phi(x) = u$ (where $x \in X$), $\phi(s(x)) = s(u)$. Thus, $s(x) = t(x) \Rightarrow s(u) = t(u)$ is nothing but the substitution rule.
- (3) is also obvious. For each $x \in X$, take an element t_x of the equivalence class $\phi(x)$, and define ψ as a unique homomorphism extending $x \mapsto t_{x^*} \oplus \cdots \oplus t_{x$

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Lemma

 $\mathcal{T}(X) \equiv_E$ is the free Mod(E)-algebra generated by $\pi_{\equiv_E}(X)$.

Note. This lemma also holds for any invariant congruence $\equiv.$ Proof.

• To show the claim, let s = t be any equation in E and $\phi : \mathcal{T}(X) \to \mathcal{T}(X) / \equiv_E$ be any homomorphism. Then, we want to show $\phi(s) = \phi(t)$.

- By the above lemma (3), there exists $\psi : \mathcal{T}(X) \to \mathcal{T}(X)$ such that $\phi = \pi_{\equiv_E} \circ \psi$.
- Since $s \equiv_E t$, again by above (3), $\psi(s) \equiv_E \psi(t)$.

Claim 1. $\mathcal{T}(X) \equiv_E \in Mod(E)$

• Then, from the definition of π_{\equiv_E} and $\phi = \pi_{\equiv_E} \circ \psi$, we have $\phi(s) = \phi(t)$.

Also, since $\mathcal{T}(X)$ is generated by X, $\mathcal{T}(X)/\equiv_E$ is also generated by $\pi_{\equiv_E}(X)$. This is because if $\pi_{\equiv_E}(X)$ generates a proper subalgebra of $\mathcal{T}(X)/\equiv_E$, then taking the inverse image of π_{\equiv} , X generates a proper subalgebra of $\mathcal{T}(X)$.

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Proof.(continued)

Claim 2. $\mathcal{T}(X) / \equiv_E$ is a free algebra.

- We take any $\mathfrak{A} \models E$ and $\phi : X / \equiv_E \rightarrow |\mathfrak{A}|$.
- Let $\psi = \phi \circ \pi_{\equiv_E}$. Since $\mathcal{T}(X)$ is free, $\psi : X \to |\mathfrak{A}|$ can be extended to a homomorphism $\hat{\psi} : \mathcal{T}(X) \to \mathfrak{A}$.
- If $s \equiv_E t$ then by $\mathfrak{A} \models E$, we have $\mathfrak{A} \models s = t$, and so $\hat{\psi}(s) = \hat{\psi}(t)$.
- By the corollary to the Homomorphism theorem, there exists $\hat{\phi} : \mathcal{T}(X) / \equiv_E \to \mathfrak{A}$ s.t. $\hat{\psi} = \hat{\phi} \circ \pi_{\equiv_E}$.
- Clearly, $\hat{\phi}$ is a homomorphism extending $\phi,$ and the uniqueness of $\hat{\psi}$ implies the uniqueness of $\hat{\phi}.$

Proof of the completeness theorem: $E \models \alpha \Rightarrow E \vdash \alpha$. Let $E \models s = t$. Since $\mathcal{T}(X) / \equiv_E \in Mod(E)$, we have $\mathcal{T}(X) / \equiv_E \models s = t$. Then for any homomorphism $\phi : \mathcal{T}(X) \to \mathcal{T}(X) / \equiv_E$, we have $\phi(s) = \phi(t)$. In particular, letting $\phi = \pi_{\equiv_E}$, we have $s \equiv_E t$. Hence, $E \vdash s = t$.

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Definition

If a set \mathcal{K} of \mathcal{L} -algebras is said to be an **equational class** (or **variety**) if it is characterized by a set E of equations, that is

 $\mathcal{K} = \operatorname{Mod}(E).$

Theorem (Birkhoff's variety theorem)

 \mathcal{K} is an equational class $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{K}$ is closed under subalgebras, homomorphisms, and Cartesian products.

- Note that "closed under homomorphism" means that for any algebra $\mathfrak{A}\in\mathcal{K}$ and homomorphism $\phi:\mathfrak{A}\to\mathfrak{B}$ (\mathfrak{B} does not necessarily belong to \mathcal{K}), the subalgebra of \mathfrak{B} as the range of ϕ belongs to \mathcal{K} .
- "Closed under Cartesian product" means that the Cartesian product of algebras \mathfrak{A}_i in \mathcal{K} belongs again to \mathcal{K} . (General definitions will be given in part 3 of this course).

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Introduction to Boolean Algebra **Proof.** To show \Rightarrow

- It is clear since an equation that holds in some algebraic structure also holds in its subalgebras and homomorphic images.
- The equality that holds for each \mathfrak{A}_i also holds for the Cartesian product $\prod \mathfrak{A}_i.$ To show \Leftarrow
 - $\bullet\,$ Let ${\cal K}$ be closed under subalgebras, homomorphisms, and Cartesian products.
 - Let X be an infinite set of variables. We define the following set of equations in $\mathrm{Term}(X)$ as follows:

$$E = \{s = t : \text{for any } \mathfrak{A} \in \mathcal{K}, \mathfrak{A} \models s = t\}.$$

- Our aim is to show $Mod(E) = \mathcal{K}$.
- $Mod(E) \supseteq \mathcal{K}$ is obvious. Hence, we will prove the following by two steps.

Claim. $Mod(E) \subseteq \mathcal{K}$.

The idea of the poof: For any $\mathfrak{A} \in Mod(E)$, it suffices to construct a homomorphism from $\mathfrak{C} \in \mathcal{K}$ onto \mathfrak{A} .

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Introduction to Boolean Algebra Suppose $\mathfrak{A} \in \operatorname{Mod}(E)$. Take a set Y of variables and a surjection $\chi : Y \to |\mathfrak{A}|$. This can be extended to an epimorphism (surjective homom.) $\hat{\chi} : \mathcal{T}(Y) \to \mathfrak{A}$. By suitable replacement of variables, any equation in Y can be regarded as an equation in X. Then it is plausible to consider $\mathcal{T}(Y)/E$. In fact, this will be a desired algebra \mathfrak{C} . Now, we are going to construct \mathfrak{C} more rigorously so that we can see $\mathfrak{C} \in \mathcal{K}$. For any $\mathfrak{B} \in \mathcal{K}$ and any homomorphism $\phi : \mathcal{T}(Y) \to \mathfrak{B}$, we define a congruence relation \approx_{ϕ} on $\mathcal{T}(Y)$ such that

$$s \approx_{\phi} t \Leftrightarrow \phi(s) = \phi(t)$$

By the homomorphism theorem, we have

$$\phi(\mathcal{T}(Y)) \simeq \mathcal{T}(Y) / \approx_{\phi}$$

Since the left-hand side is a subalgebra of $\mathfrak{B} \in \mathcal{K}$, by assumption we have $\mathcal{T}(Y) / \approx_{\phi} \in \mathcal{K}$.

We write \mathcal{D} for the set of congruence relations on $\mathcal{T}(Y)$ expressed as \approx_{ϕ} for some homomorphism ϕ .

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Introduction to Boolean Algebra Since ${\mathcal K}$ is closed under Cartesian products, we have

$$\prod_{\approx \in \mathcal{D}} (\mathcal{T}(Y)/\approx) \in \mathcal{K}.$$

With a homom. $\pi_{\approx}: \mathcal{T}(Y) \to \mathcal{T}(Y)/\approx$ for each $\approx \in \mathcal{D}$, we can naturally define a homom.

$$\psi: \mathcal{T}(Y) \to \prod_{pprox \in \mathcal{D}} (\mathcal{T}(Y)/pprox).$$

Since $\mathcal{T}(Y)/\approx_{\psi}$ is isomorphic to a subalgebra of $\prod_{\approx\in\mathcal{D}}(\mathcal{T}(Y)/\approx)$, it also belongs to \mathcal{K} . Here, we have: $s\approx_{\psi}t\Leftrightarrow\psi(s)=\psi(t)\Leftrightarrow$ for each $\approx\in\mathcal{D}$ $s\approx t\Leftrightarrow$ for all ϕ $\phi(s)=\phi(t)\Leftrightarrow$ for all $\mathfrak{B}\in\mathcal{K}$, $\mathfrak{B}\models s=t\Leftrightarrow s=t\in E$ (with suitable replacement of variables). Thus, $\mathcal{T}(Y)/\approx_{\psi}$ is a desired algebra \mathfrak{C} .

Finally, by the corollary to the homomorphism theorem, we have an epimorphism

$$\hat{\chi}_{\approx_{\psi}} : \mathcal{T}(Y) / \approx_{\psi} \to \mathfrak{A}.$$

Since \mathcal{K} is closed under homomorphism on $\mathcal{T}(Y)/\approx_{\psi} \in \mathcal{K}$, we have $\mathfrak{A} \in \mathcal{K}$.

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Non-equational class

- Since the axiom system of the group given in last lecture consists only of equations, the class of all groups is considered to form an equality class.
- However, groups can also be characterized in other ways. For example, we may define a group (G, \bullet) as a pair of set and a binary operation on it, satisfying

 $(x \cdot y) \cdot z = x \cdot (y \cdot z)$ and there exists w such that for any $x \ (w \cdot x = x$ and $\exists y(y \cdot x = w))$

- The group according to this definition is not an equational class. In fact, $(\mathbb{N},+)$ is a subalgebra of the group $(\mathbb{Z},+)$, but it is not a group.
- Abelian groups, rings, R-modules, lattices, Boolean algebras can be treated as equational classes with sufficient operators.
- But integral domains (commutative rings with no zero factors other than 0) and fields cannot be axiomatized only with equations, no matter how many operators are added. For example, the Cartesian product 3×3 of the integral domain $3 = (\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$ is not an integral domain (note: $(0, 1) \cdot (1, 0) = (0, 0)$).

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A simple extension of equational theory

- Consider a language including relational symbols R_1, R_2, \ldots besides function symbols.
- An expression of the form s = t or $R(t_1, \ldots, t_n)$ is called an **atomic formula**. We will give a deduction system that handles atomic formulas.

Definition

Let T be a set of atomic formulas. A deduction system for T consists of the following: (1) Atomic formulas belonging to T and equations of the form t = t are axioms.

(2) The following five diagrams are inference rules.

$$\frac{s=t}{t=s} \qquad \frac{s=t-t=u}{s=u}$$

$$s(x) = t(x) \qquad \frac{s_1 = t_1 \dots s_n = t_n}{\mathbf{f}(s_1, \dots, s_n) = \mathbf{f}(t_1, \dots, t_n)}$$

$$\frac{s_1 = t_1 \dots s_n = t_n \quad \mathbf{R}(s_1, \dots, s_n)}{\mathbf{R}(t_1, \dots, t_n)}$$

where, s, t, s_i, t_i, u are terms, x is a variable, **f** is a function symbol, and **R** is a relation symbol.

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- A proof tree for this system is defined in the same way as for an equational theory, and if an atomic formula σ has a proof tree, we write $T \vdash \sigma$.
- The concept of models of T and $T \models \sigma$ can be naturally defined by extending structures to involve interpretations of relational symbols.
- For this extended theory, the same assertions as Birkhoff's completeness theorem and variety theorem hold.

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- In the mid-19th century, British mathematician G. Boole attempted to clarify Aristotle's logic by treating logical relations algebraically.
- This was the beginning of Boolean algebra, but in modern times it is often subsumed under the more general concepts of "order" and "lattice" and treated as equational theory.

Definition

- If a binary relation \leq on a nonempty set X satisfies reflection $(x \leq x)$, antisymmetry (if $x \leq y$ and $y \leq x$, then x = y), as well as transitivity (if $x \leq y$ and $y \leq z$, then $x \leq z$) is satisfied, then (X, \leq) is called a (partial) order.
- If an order (X, ≤) additionally satisfies comparability (x ≤ y or y ≤ x), then it is called a total order or linear order.

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Introduction to Boolean Algebra n|m on the natural numbers \mathbb{N}^+ excluding 0 represents the relation "n divides m" or "m is a multiple of n". Then, $(\mathbb{N}^+, |)$ is a partial order.

Let (X, \leq) be a partial order. Suppose that for any $a, b \in X$, $\sup\{a, b\}$ and $\inf\{a, b\}$ exist in X, denoted by $a \lor b$ and $a \land b$, respectively. Note: $\sup A$ is the minimum upper bound (supremum) of A, that is, the smallest value of b such that $a \leq b$ for all $a \in A$. Similarly, $\inf A$ is the maximum lower bound (infimum) of A.

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In the partial order $(\mathbb{N}^+, |)$, $\sup\{x, y\}$ is the greatest common divisor (gcd) of x and y, $\inf\{x, y\}$ is the least common multiple (lcm) of x and y.

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Definition

Theory of lattice consists of the following eight equations. A model of lattice theory (L, \lor, \land) is called a **lattice**.

L1: $x \lor x = x, x \land x = x$ L2: $x \lor y = y \lor x, x \land y = y \land x$ L3: $x \lor (y \lor z) = (x \lor y) \lor z, \ x \land (y \land z) = (x \land y) \land z$ [Associativity] L4: $(x \lor y) \land x = x, (x \land y) \lor x = x$

[Idempotence] [Commutativity] [Absorption]

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 $(\mathbb{N}^+, \mathsf{gcd}, \mathsf{lcm})$ is a lattice.

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Introduction to Boolean Algebra Conversely, for a given lattice (L, \lor, \land) , if a relation $x \leq y$ is defined as follows

$$x \le y \Leftrightarrow x \land y = x (\Leftrightarrow x \lor y = y)$$

then it is a partial order on L. In this case, the lattice operations \lor, \land are the same as \sup and \inf regarding this partial order.

Note. We show $x \wedge y = x \Leftrightarrow x \vee y = y$. \Leftarrow can be derived by substituting $y := x \vee y$ to the left side and using lattice axioms L2 and L4. Similarly for \Rightarrow .

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Introduction to Boolean Algebra Now, Boolean algebra is defined as an equational theory as follows.

Definition

The theory of **Boolean algebra** (BA) is defined in language $\mathcal{L}_{B} = \{ \lor, \land, \neg, 0, 1 \}$ with the following axioms.

1 All the lattice axioms and the following distributive law:

$$(x \lor y) \land z = (x \land z) \lor (y \land z), \quad (x \land y) \lor z = (x \lor z) \land (y \lor z),$$

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$$x \lor 0 = x$$
, $x \lor (\neg x) = 1$, $x \land 1 = x$, $x \land (\neg x) = 0$.

A model of theory BA is called a **Boolean algebra**.

In the definition of Boolean algebra, (1) can be reduced to only L2 and distributive laws. This will be shown in problem 9 after the duality theorem.

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Lemma (Uniqueness of complement)

If
$$x \lor y = 1$$
 and $x \land y = 0$, then $y = \neg x$.

Proof. Assume $x \lor y = 1$ and $x \land y = 0$. Apply the distributive law at $=^{(*)}$ to obtain the desired equation as follows.

$$y = y \lor 0 = y \lor (x \land \neg x) =^{(*)} (y \lor x) \land (y \lor \neg x) = (x \lor y) \land (y \lor \neg x)$$
$$= 1 \land (y \lor \neg x) = (x \lor \neg x) \land (y \lor \neg x) =^{(*)} (x \land y) \lor \neg x = 0 \lor \neg x = \neg x.$$

Remark. In the formal deduction system of equations, "a premise σ implies a conclusion δ" means that if σ holds with any substitution for all variables then δ also holds with any substitution for all variables.
 In contrast, the lemma should be interpreted as "for all x, y, if (x ∨ y = 1 and

 $x \wedge y = 0$, then $y = \neg x$)". To state it strictly, we need first-order logic for the argument.

Lemma (Elimination of double negation)

 $\neg \neg x = x.$

Proof. Apply the above lemma to $\neg x \lor x = 1$ and $\neg x \land x = 0$.

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Theorem (Duality theorem)

For an equation φ in $\mathcal{L}_{B} = \{ \lor, \land, \neg, 0, 1 \}$, let $\tilde{\varphi}$ denote the equation (dual equation) obtained from φ by interchanging \lor with \land and 0 with 1. Then

 $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}\vdash\varphi\Leftrightarrow\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}\vdash\tilde{\varphi}.$

Proof. The dual formula $\tilde{\sigma}$ for each axiom σ of BA is also an axiom. Therefore, for a proof tree of theorem φ in BA, if we replace all expressions in the tree with dual expressions, we obtain a proof tree of $\tilde{\varphi}$.

Problem 9

(Homework) In the definition of Boolean algebra, reduce (1) to only the commutative law and distributive law, and then prove the Idempotent, absorption law, and associative law.

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Theorem (De Morgan's law)

In BA,
$$\neg(x \lor y) = \neg x \land \neg y, \ \neg(x \land y) = \neg x \lor \neg y$$
 holds.

Proof They can be deduced from the following equations together with the uniqueness of the complement.

$$\begin{aligned} (x \lor y) \lor (\neg x \land \neg y) &= [(x \lor y) \lor \neg x] \land [(x \lor y) \lor \neg y] \\ &= [(x \lor \neg x) \lor y] \land [x \lor (y \lor \neg y)] \\ &= (1 \lor y) \land (x \lor 1) = 1 \land 1 = 1. \\ (x \lor y) \land (\neg x \land \neg y) &= [x \land (\neg x \land \neg y)] \lor [y \land (\neg x \land \neg y] \\ &= [(x \land \neg x) \land \neg y] \lor [\neg x \land (y \land \neg y)] \\ &= (0 \land \neg y) \lor (\neg x \land 0) = 0 \lor 0 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\neg(x \lor y) = \neg x \land \neg y$. Also, $\neg(x \land y) = \neg x \lor \neg y$ follows from the duality theorem.

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Introduction to Boolean Algebra Let X be any set and $\mathcal{P}(X)$ be the power set (all subsets) of X. Now, if $Y^c = X - Y$ for $Y \subseteq X$, then the power set algebra $\mathfrak{P}(X) = (\mathcal{P}(X), \cup, \cap, ^c, \varnothing, X)$ is a Boolean algebra. In particular, when X is a singleton $\{a\}$, $\mathcal{P}(X)$ is a trivial Boolean algebra, and isomorphic to $2 = (\{0, 1\}, \lor, \land, 0, 1)$.

Conversely, any finite Boolean algebra is isomorphic to a power set algebra, and more generally the following theorem holds. (The proof will be given in part 3)

Theorem (Stone's representation theorem)

For any Boolean algebra \mathfrak{B} , there exists a set X, \mathfrak{B} can be embedded in its power set algebra $\mathfrak{P}(X)$. Especially, if \mathfrak{B} is finite, it is isomorphic to $\mathfrak{P}(X)$.

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Thank you for your attention!

