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### “0-IDEALS IN 0- DISTRIBUTIVE LATTICES”

#### 1.1. Introduction:-

Throughout this chapter we will be concerned with a bounded 0-distributive lattice  $L$ . The concept of 0-ideals in bounded distributive lattices is introduced by Cornish [5]. In the same way 0-ideals in 0-distributive lattices are defined. In this chapters help is taken of the results of the Cornish [4] and Jayram [7] to obtain the properties of 0- ideals in 0-distributive lattices. Several examples of 0-ideals in 0- distributive lattices are also provided.

At the outset we prove the result, which is crucial in defining 0-ideal in  $L$ .

**Theorem:-1.2**  $0(F)$  is an ideal for any filter  $F$  in  $L$ ,

where  $0(F) = \{x \in L / x \wedge f = 0, \text{ for some } f \in F\}$

**Proof-** As  $0 \wedge f = 0$ , for each  $f \in F$

We get,  $0 \in 0(F)$  and hence  $0(F) \neq \phi$ , also we have if  $x, y \in 0(F)$  then we get,

$x \wedge f_1 = 0$ , for some  $f_1 \in F$ .

and  $x \wedge f_2 = 0$ , for some  $f_2 \in F$ .

Hence  $x \wedge (f_1 \wedge f_2) = 0$  and  $y \wedge (f_1 \wedge f_2) = 0$

Where  $f_1 \wedge f_2 \in F$

[Result 0.2.2]

Therefore by 0- distributivity of  $L$ ,

$(x \vee y) \wedge (f_1 \wedge f_2) = 0$

Therefore  $x \vee y \in 0(F)$ , by definition of  $0(F)$ , lastly consider  $x \leq y$ ,  
 $x \in L$  and  $y \in 0(F)$ .

As  $y \in 0(F)$ .

It implies that  $y \wedge f = 0$ , for some  $f \in F$ .

As  $x \leq y$ ,

we get,  $x \wedge f \leq y \wedge f$ .

Therefore,  $x \wedge f = 0$ , for some  $f \in F$ .

It implies that,  $x \in 0(F)$ .

This proves that,  $0(F)$  is an ideal for any filter  $F$  in  $L$ .

Now the next result describes an ideal  $0(F)$  in another form.

Theorem 1.3. For any filter  $F$  in  $L$ .

$$0(F) = \bigcap \{ P / P \text{ is minimal prime ideal such that } P \cap F = \phi \}.$$

Proof- suppose  $x \in 0(F)$ .

Then  $x \wedge y = 0$ , for some  $y \in F$ .

We have  $0 \in P$ , where  $P$  is minimal prime ideal such that  $P \cap F = \phi$ .

As  $y \in F$ , we get  $y \notin P$ .

By prime ness of  $P$ , it follows that,  $x \in P$ .

Thus, we have,

$$0(F) \subseteq \bigcap \{ P / P \text{ is minimal prime ideal such that } P \cap F = \phi \}.$$

For the reverse inclusion, suppose that,

$$X \in \bigcap \{ P / P \text{ is minimal prime ideal such that } P \cap F = \phi \}.$$

and assume if possible that  $x \notin 0(F)$ .

Claim.  $[f \vee [x]]$  is a proper filter.

Proof- Assume that  $F \vee [x] = L$ . Then  $0 \in L$  implies  $0 \in F \vee [x]$ .

Hence  $f \wedge x = 0$ , for some  $f \in F$ .

But then  $x \in 0(F)$ , which contradicts the choice of  $x$ .

Hence  $0 \notin F \vee [x]$ .

It means that  $F \vee [x]$  is a proper filter.

Since every proper filter is contained in a maximal filter [see 0.2.1], there exists a maximal filter say  $M$  in  $L$  such that  $F \vee [x] \subseteq M$ .

Thus as  $x \in M$ , we get  $x \notin L \setminus M$ ,

where  $L \setminus M$  is a minimal prime ideal disjoint with  $F$  [see 0.2.4]

This contradicts the choice of  $x$ .

Hence  $x \in 0(F)$ . It follows that,

$\bigcap \{P/P \text{ is minimal prime ideal such that } P \cap F = \phi\} \subseteq 0(F)$ ,

combining both the inclusions, for any filter  $F$  in  $L$ , we get,

$0(F) = \bigcap \{P/P \text{ is minimal prime ideal such that } P \cap F = \phi\}$ .

The definition of an 0-ideal in bounded 0-distributive lattice is as follows.

Definition 1.4.

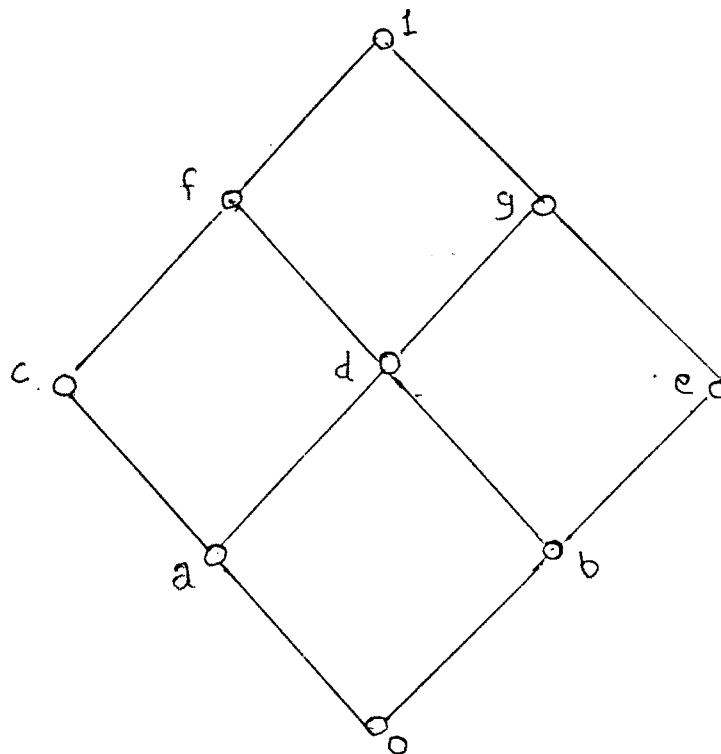
Let  $J$  be an ideal of a lattice  $L$ . Then  $J$  is called an 0-ideal if  $J = 0(F)$ ,

for some filter  $F$ , where  $0(F) = \{x \in L / x \wedge f = 0, \text{ for some } f \in F\}$

**Example 1.5**

Let  $L = \{0, a, b, c, d, e, f, g, 1\}$ .

Consider the 0-distributive bounded lattice  $\langle L, \wedge, \vee \rangle$ ,  
 whose diagrammatic representation is as shown in figure 1



**Figure 1**

$J = \{0, a, c\}$  is an ideal in  $L$ .

$F = \{b, d, f, e, g, 1\}$  is a filter in  $L$ .

$$0(F) = \{x \in L / x \wedge f = 0, \text{ for some } f \in F\}$$

$$= \{0, a, c\}$$

As  $J$  is an o-ideal,

$$0(F) = J$$

In the following Example 1.6, we establish that every ideal need not an 0-ideal

**Example 1.6**

Consider the 0-distributive bounded lattice  $\langle L, \wedge, \vee \rangle$ , whose diagrammatic representation is as shown in figure 2

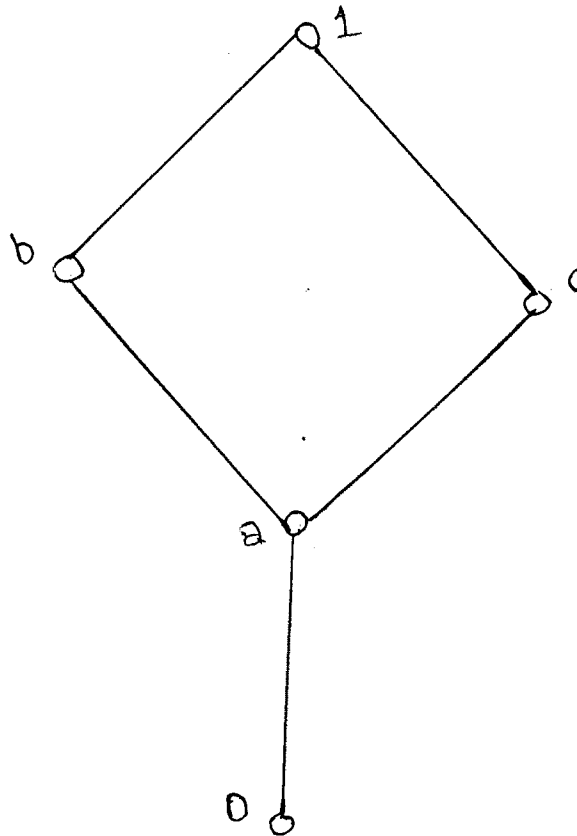


Figure 2

Then  $J = \{0, a, b\}$  is an ideal in  $L$  also  $F = \{c, 1\}$  is a filter in  $L$ .  
As  $0(F) = \{0\} \neq J$ ,  
 $J$  is not an 0-ideal.

Thus using the definition of an o-ideal, characterization of o-ideal in o-distributive lattice is given as follows.

Theorem 1.7.

For each  $x \in L$ ,  $(x]^*$  is an 0-ideal.

Proof – Claim  $(x]^* = 0([x])$ .

Here firstly we know that  $(x]^*$  is an 0-ideal.

As  $L$  is 0-distributive, we have,

i) Let  $y \in (x]^*$ .

Then  $y \wedge x = 0$ , as  $x \in [x)$  we get,  $y \in 0([x])$ .

Thus  $(x]^* \subseteq 0([x])$ .

ii) Let  $y \in 0([x])$ .

It implies that  $y \wedge t = 0$ , for some  $t \in [x)$ .

We know that, as  $t \in [x)$ ,  $t \geq x$ .

Thus  $y \wedge t = 0$  and  $t \geq x$  imply  $0 = y \wedge t \geq y \wedge x$ .

Therefore,  $x \wedge y = 0$ .

It follows that  $y \in (x]^*$ .

Therefore,  $0([x]) \subseteq (x]^*$ .

From i) and ii)  $0([x]) = (x]^*$ ,

it shows that  $(x]^*$  is an 0-ideal for each  $x \in L$ .

For a Prime ideal  $P$  in  $L$ ,

we define  $\bar{P} = \{x \in L / x \wedge y = 0, \text{ for some } y \in L \setminus P\}$

An interesting property of  $\bar{P}$  is proved in the following theorem.

Theorem. 1.8 For each prime ideal  $P$ ,  $\bar{P}$  is an 0-ideal,

where  $\bar{P} = \{x \in L / x \wedge y = 0, \text{ for some } y \in L \setminus P\}$

Proof- claim 1  $\bar{P}$  is an ideal in  $L$ .

Proof- i) As  $0 \in L$ ,  $0 \wedge y = 0$  for  $y \notin \bar{P}$

It implies that  $\bar{P} \neq \phi$

ii) Let  $x, y \in \bar{P}$ .

we get  $x \wedge t_1 = 0$ , for some  $t_1 \notin P$

$y \wedge t_2 = 0$ , for some  $t_2 \notin P$

Now the definition of prime ideal  $t_1 \wedge t_2 \notin P$

As  $x \wedge (t_1 \wedge t_2) = 0$

and  $y \wedge (t_1 \wedge t_2) = 0$ , for  $t_1 \wedge t_2 \in L \setminus P$ .

By 0-distributive of  $L$ ,

We get  $(x \vee y) \wedge (t_1 \wedge t_2) = 0$ , for  $t_1 \wedge t_2 \in L \setminus P$ .

It means that  $x \vee y \in \bar{P}$

iii) Let  $x \leq y$ ,  $x \in L$  and  $y \in \bar{P}$

Hence we write,

$y \wedge t = 0$ , for some  $t \in L \setminus P$

Since  $x \leq y$

We get,  $x \wedge t \leq y \wedge t$ .

Therefore,  $x \wedge t = 0$ , for  $t \in L \setminus P$ .



It shows that  $x \in \bar{P}$ . Thus from i), ii) and iii),

we get  $\bar{P}$  is an ideal in  $L$ .

As  $P$  is prime ideal then  $L \setminus P$  is a filter.

[Gratzer [6]]

We have,

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{P} &= \{x \in L / x \wedge y = 0, \text{ for some } y \notin P\} \\ &= \{x \in L / x \wedge y = 0, \text{ for some } y \in L \setminus P\} \\ &= 0(L \setminus P).\end{aligned}$$

As  $L \setminus P$  is a filter,

$\bar{P} = 0(L \setminus P)$ , we get  $\bar{P}$  is an 0-ideal for each prime ideal  $P$ .

It is well known that intersection of an ideal in  $L$  is an ideal in  $L$  but also intersection of any two 0-ideals is an 0-ideal.

This follows from Theorem 1.9.

Theorem 1.9 The intersection of any two 0-ideals in  $L$  is an 0-ideal.

Proof Let  $J_1$  and  $J_2$  be two 0-ideals. Since there are two filter  $F_1, F_2$

such that  $J_1 = 0(F_1)$  and  $J_2 = 0(F_2)$ . Obviously  $J_1 \cap J_2$  is an ideal in  $L$ .

To prove  $J_1 \cap J_2$  is a 0-ideal. It is enough to show that

$$0(F_1) \cap 0(F_2) = 0(F_1 \cap F_2) \quad [\text{By Result [0.2.3]}]$$

Let  $x \in 0(F_1) \cap 0(F_2)$

Then  $x \wedge f_1 = 0$ , for some  $f_1 \in F_1$

$x \wedge f_2 = 0$ , for some  $f_2 \in F_2$

Thus  $x \wedge (f_1 \vee f_2) = 0$ .

Also as  $f_1 \in F_1$ ,  $f_1 \leq f_1 \vee f_2$  we get  $f_1 \vee f_2 \in F_1$ .

and as  $f_2 \in F_2$ ,  $f_2 \leq f_1 \vee f_2$ , we get  $f_1 \vee f_2 \in F_2$ . By Result [0.2.2]

$$f_1 \vee f_2 \in F_1 \cap F_2$$

Thus  $x \wedge (f_1 \vee f_2) = 0$ , for some  $f_1 \vee f_2 \in F_1 \cap F_2$

Hence  $0(F_1) \cap 0(F_2) \subseteq 0(F_1 \cap F_2)$ .

Also let  $y \in 0(F_1 \cap F_2)$ .

Then it means that  $y \wedge f = 0$ , for some  $f \in F_1 \cap F_2$

Hence  $y \wedge f = 0$ , for some  $f \in F_1$  and  $f \in F_2$

Therefore, we have,  $y \in 0(F_1)$  and  $y \in 0(F_2)$

Therefore,  $y \in 0(F_1) \cap 0(F_2)$ .

Thus  $0(F_1 \cap F_2) \subseteq 0(F_1) \cap 0(F_2)$ .

Hence  $0(F_1 \cap F_2) = 0(F_1) \cap 0(F_2)$ .

This shows that it is an 0-ideal.

Remark 1.10

By generalizing this theorem we say that intersection of any number of 0-ideals in  $L$  is an 0-ideal. As  $\bigcap_{\alpha} 0(F_{\alpha}) = 0(\bigcap_{\alpha} F_{\alpha})$ .

Using the definition of Moore Family, we get, (Definition 0.1.25)

Remark 1.11

The set of all 0-ideals forms a Moore family.

Proof Let  $K = \{I/I \text{ is a 0-ideal}\}$ .

As  $L=0$  ( $\{1\}$ ), we get  $L \in K$

$I_{\alpha} \in K$  imply  $\bigcap_{\alpha} I_{\alpha} \in K$

Necessary and sufficient condition for a nondense ideal  $I$  to be prime given in Theorem 1.14 will be obtained from following Theorems viz. Theorem 1.12 and Theorem 1.13.

Theorem 1.12

If  $I$  is prime ideal in  $L$  then  $I$  satisfies the condition, for any  $x \in L$ ,  
 $x \notin I$  implies  $I^* \cap \{x\}^* = \{0\}$ .

Proof- claim. If  $x \notin I$  then  $\{x\}^* \subseteq I$

Here  $x \notin I$

Let  $y \in \{x\}^*$  then we get  $y \wedge x = 0 \in I$

As  $I$  is prime  $x \in I$  or  $y \in I$

But give that  $x \notin I$

hence  $y \in I$

Thus  $\{x\}^* \subseteq I$

Consider  $y \in I^* \cap \{x\}^*$

Then we get  $y \in I^*$  and  $y \in \{x\}^*$

By the above claim if  $x \notin I$ ,  $\{x\}^* \subseteq I$

Therefore,  $y \in I$

Now  $y \in I^*$  implies that  $y \wedge i = 0$ , for every  $i \in I$

Take particularly  $i = y$ , it means that  $y \wedge y = 0$

Hence  $y = 0$

Thus  $I^* \cap \{x\}^* = \{0\}$ .

Using the definition of non-dense ideal converse of the Theorem 1.12 is true for non-dense ideals.

Theorem 1.13

If non-dense ideal  $I$  of  $L$  satisfies the condition:

$x \notin I$  implies  $I^* \cap \{x\}^* = \{0\}$ , for any  $x \in L$ , then  $I$  is prime ideal.

Proof – claim 1-  $I$  is nondense and satisfies the condition for any  $x \in L$ ,

$x \notin I$  implies  $I^* \cap \{x\}^* = \{0\}$  then  $I = I^{**}$ .

Proof – we know that  $I \subseteq I^{**}$  always .

Let  $x \in I^{**}$  such that  $x \notin I$ .

Then by the given condition, we get,  $I^* \cap \{x\}^* = \{0\}$

As  $I$  is nondense we get,  $I^* \neq \{0\}$

Hence, there exist  $y \in I^*$  such that  $y \neq 0$ .

Thus  $y \in I^*$ ,  $I^* \cap \{x\}^* = \{0\}$  Therefore,  $y \notin \{x\}^*$

Hence  $y \wedge x \neq 0$

But  $y \in I^*$  and  $x \in I^{**}$ , hence  $x \wedge y = 0$ .

Which is a contradiction.

Thus  $x \in I$ , proving that  $I^{**} \subseteq I$

Therefore,  $I = I^{**}$

Here now only to prove that  $I$  is prime ideal,

consider  $a \wedge b \in I$  and  $a \notin I$ , for any two elements  $a$  and  $b$  of  $L$ . By

the given condition  $I^* \cap \{a\}^* = \{0\}$ ,

also for any  $c \in I^*$ ,  $c \wedge (a \wedge b) = 0$  implies  $c \wedge b \in I^* \cap \{a\}^*$ .

Hence  $c \wedge b = 0$ .

Consequently,  $b \in I^{**} = I$

(by claim 1)

It shows that  $I$  is prime ideal.

With the definition of nondense ideal, (Definition 0.1.26)  
we write the result as follows

**Theorem 1.14** If  $I$  is a nondense prime ideal then  $I$  is minimal prime ideal.

**Proof-** We know that  $I$  is nondense prime ideal.

Hence  $I^* \neq \{0\}$

Therefore there exists  $y \in I^*$  such that  $y \neq 0$ . As  $I$  is prime,

[By the Result [0.2.5]],

There exists a minimal prime ideal  $M$  such that  $M \subseteq I$ .

Suppose  $M \subset I$

Thus there exists  $x \in I$  such that  $x \notin M$ .

Therefore, for  $x \in I$  and  $y \in I^*$ .

Therefore we get  $x \wedge y \in M$ ,  $x \notin M$ . Hence  $y \in M$ .

We know that  $M \subseteq I$ .

Thus  $y \in I$ , which is a contradiction.

This shows that there exists no minimal prime ideal  $M$  properly contained in  $I$ . It means that  $I$  is minimal prime ideal.

By definition of an 0-ideal developed by Theorem 1.3 we give the result as below.

**Theorem 1.15** Every minimal prime ideal is an 0-ideal.

**Proof** Let  $M$  be a minimal prime ideal,

hence  $L \setminus M$  is maximal filter.

By Result (0.2.4)

Let  $F = L \setminus M$  claim that  $0(F) = M$ . By theorem 1.3, we get

$0(F) = \bigcap \{M/M \text{ is minimal prime ideal such that } M \cap F = \phi\}$

i.e.  $M \cap F = \phi$ . It implies that  $M \cap (L \setminus M) = \phi$ .

Thus  $0(F) = M$ . Hence by definition,  
 $M$  is an  $0$ -ideal.

Relation between  $0$ -ideal and nondense prime ideal is described in following Theorem.

**Theorem 1.16** If a prime ideal  $P$  is nondense then  $P$  is an  $0$ -ideal .

**Proof** Here to show that  $P = 0(F)$ , for some filter  $F$ .

Take  $F = L \setminus P$ .

Claim  $P = 0(L \setminus P)$

Let  $x \in P$ . As  $P$  is nondense  $P^* \neq \{0\}$  implies that there exist  $y \in P^*$  such that  $y \neq 0$ . As  $x \in P$  and  $y \in P^*$ .

Therefore  $x \wedge y = 0$  then we get  $x \wedge y = 0$  for  $y \notin P$ .

Hence  $x \wedge y = 0$ , for  $y \in L \setminus P$ . This shows that  $x \in 0(L \setminus P)$ .

Therefore  $P \subseteq 0(L \setminus P)$ .

Let  $x \in 0(L \setminus P)$  then  $x \wedge y = 0$ , for  $y \in L \setminus P$ .

It means that  $x \wedge y = 0$ , for  $y \notin P$ . Hence  $x \in P$ .

Therefore  $0(L \setminus P) \subseteq P$ . It follows that  $P = 0(L \setminus P)$ , here  $L \setminus P$  is a filter.

Hence  $P$  is an  $0$ -ideal.

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