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For the study of intermediate logics, pseudo-Boolean algebras play a very important role as their models. So an investigation into the algebraic structure of pseudo-Boolean models seems essential. For dealing with these models, we already know two operations on models, i.e., *Cartesian product* and the *pile operation*. But these operations are incomplete in the sense that there exist finite models which can not be obtained from the two element model S_1 by these operations alone. There has been a problem of finding a complete set of operations in this sense. (See Hosoi [4], and Hosoi and Ono [8].)

Our main result (Theorem 3.7) solves this problem. More precisely, in §2, we shall introduce the notion of the *patch operation* on models, and in §3, we shall show that Cartesian product and the patch operation are complete in the sense that any finite model can be obtained from S_1 by these operations.

Further, we shall study intermediate logics through pseudo-Boolean models. The notion of *slice* defined *axiomatically* by Hosoi will be characterized *algebraically* in §4. To do this, we shall define the notion of the *height* of pseudo-Boolean models. We shall prove that this height corresponds to the index of slice to which belongs the logic characterized by the model.

In §5, we shall apply the main result to obtain an easy method for counting the height of models, and a theorem on the immediate predecessors of certain logics.

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Throughout this paper, we expect some familiarity with [5] and [10], since some notations and definitions are borrowed from them without special mentioning.

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§1. Preliminaries

Propositional variables are expressed by the letters a_0, a_1, \dots . By a logic we mean an intermediate propositional logic. By a model we always mean a pseudo-Boolean algebra (PBA) with at least two elements. (See e.g. [1], [12]). We write 1 (0) for the maximum (minimum, respectively) element of a model, where 1 is the designated. We use four logical connectives $\wedge, \vee, \rightarrow$, and \neg . Same symbols are used for the corresponding operations in models. It should be noticed that any model M determines a logic $L(M)$, that is, the set of formulas valid in it, and for any logic L there exist a model M such that $L=L(M)$.

Any model M is a partially ordered set by definition. For any elements p, q ($p \leq q$) in a model M , we write $[p, q]$ for the set $\{x \mid p \leq x \leq q\}$, and call it an interval in M . It is important to remark that $[p, q]$ is also a PBA by the natural ordering in it (see [2]).

If the ordering in M is linear, we say M is a linear model. We write L_n for the linear model with $n+1$ elements. Since any infinite linear model is characteristic for one and the same logic, we write L_ω for such a model. We put $S_n=L(L_n)$ ($1 \leq n \leq \omega$).

The following lemma is well-known.

Lemma 1.1. $S_1 \supseteq S_2 \supseteq \dots \supseteq S_n \supseteq \dots \supseteq S_\omega$.

Clearly, the set $\{S_n \mid 1 \leq n \leq \omega\}$ covers all logics which have a linear model.

The following theorem is due to Dummett [3]. We remark here that this theorem can be proved easily by the decomposition theorem of McKay [9] and by Lemma 1.9 in Hosoi and Ono [7].

Theorem 1.2. *A logic L has a linear model iff $Z \in L$, where $Z=(a_0$*

$\rightarrow a_1) \vee (a_2 \rightarrow a_0)$.

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The definition of slice by Hosoi is as follows:

Definition 1.3. $\mathcal{S}_n = \{L \mid L + Z = S_n\}$.

Now we define the pile operation (see also [5]).

Definition 1.4. Let M, N be two models. We define $K = M \uparrow N$ to be the model such that there is some $d \in K$ satisfying the conditions (i) $K = M' \cup N'$, where $M' = \{p \in K \mid p \geq d\}$ and $N' = \{p \in K \mid p \leq d\}$, (ii) M is isomorphic with M' , and (iii) N is isomorphic with N' . By these isomorphisms we identify M with M' and N with N' . Hence $d = 0_M = 1_N$.

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§2. Patch Operation

In this section, we first define the patch operation on partially ordered sets. This operation defines an ordered set R from a triple (P, Q, f) , where P, Q are partially ordered sets and f is an isomorphism from a subset of P to a subset of Q . Afterwards, we consider the case that P and Q are PBAs.

Now let A and B be two disjoint sets and $f: A' \rightarrow B'$ be a bijection, where A' (or B') is a subset of A (or B). Define an equivalence relation \equiv on $A \cup B$ by that $x \equiv y$ iff $x = y$ or $x = f(y)$ or $y = f(x)$. We write $A \diamond_f B$ for $A \cup B / \equiv$, and call it the patching of A and B by f . By identifying those elements in $A \cup B$ that are equivalent w.r.t. \equiv , we shall consider that $A \diamond_f B = A \cup B$ and $A' = B' = A \cap B$.

Now suppose that A and B are partially ordered sets and $f: A' \rightarrow B'$ is an order isomorphism. Then we can define an order \leq on $A \diamond_f B$ as follows:

As mentioned above, we consider that $A \diamond_f B = A \cup B$. We denote the ordering of A (or B) by \leq_A (or \leq_B). Define a relation \leq on $A \cup B$ by that $x \leq y$ iff $(x, y \in A$ and $x \leq_A y)$ or $(x, y \in B$ and $x \leq_B y)$ or $(x \in B, y \in A$ and for some $z \in A \cap B, x \leq_B z$ and $z \leq_A y)$ or $(x \in A, y \in B$ and for some $z \in A \cap B, x \leq_A z$ and $z \leq_B y)$. Then it is easy to see that \leq is the weakest order on $A \cup B$ which preserves both \leq_A and \leq_B .

Example 2.1. We show an example by Hasse diagrams, where f is an isomorphism which maps $a, b, c,$ and d in A to $a, b, c,$ and d in B .

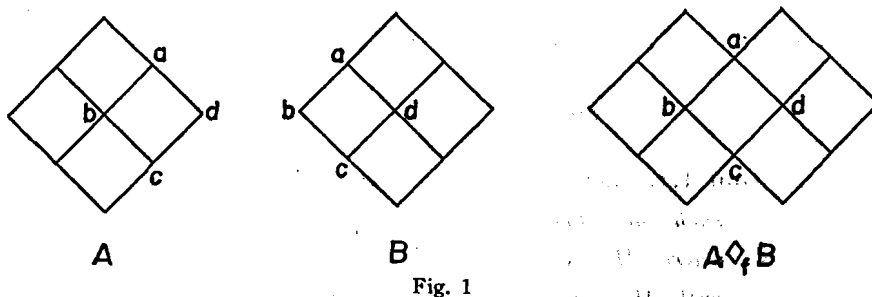


Fig. 1

As seen in the above example, even if A and B are PBAs the patched partially ordered set $A \diamond_f B$ is not necessarily a PBA. So, to make $A \diamond_f B$ a PBA we must put some restrictions on f . The following theorem gives a sufficient condition for $A \diamond_f B$ to be a PBA.

Theorem 2.2. *If A and B are PBAs and f is an isomorphism from an ideal A' of A to a filter B' of B , then $A \diamond_f B$ is also a PBA.*

Proof. First remark that $A \cap B = [0_A, 1_B]$, by the identification stated above. For any $a \in A$ we define $a^- \in A \cap B$ by putting $a^- = a \wedge_A 1_B$, and for any $b \in B$, $b^+ \in A \cap B$ is defined by $b^+ = b \vee_B 0_A$. It is clear that $a^- \leq a$ and $b \leq b^+$. Further, $a \mapsto a^-$ ($b \mapsto b^+$) is a homomorphism from A (B , resp.) to $A \cap B$.

(I) Existence of $\inf\{a, b\}$.

Since other cases are trivial, we only consider the case that $a \in A - B$ and $b \in B$. We prove that $\inf\{a, b\} = a^- \wedge_B b$. Clearly, $a^- \wedge_B b \leq b$, and $a^- \wedge_B b \leq a^- \leq a$. Hence $a^- \wedge_B b$ is a lower bound of $\{a, b\}$. On the other hand, let c be any element such that $c \leq a$ and $c \leq b$. By the definition of the ordering on $A \diamond_f B$, $c \leq a$ implies the existence of some $x \in A \cap B$ such that $c \leq x \leq a$. Hence $x = x^- \leq a^-$. So $c \leq a^-$. Thus $c \leq a^- \wedge_B b$. Therefore we see that $a^- \wedge_B b = \inf\{a, b\}$.

(II) Existence of $\sup\{a, b\}$.

This can be proved as the dual case of (I).

Thus we see that $A \diamond_f B$ is a lattice. We denote the lattice operations on $A \diamond_f B$ by \wedge and \vee .

(III) Existence of $\max\{x | a \wedge x \leq b\}$.

We consider four cases so that they cover all possible cases. In any of these cases we prove that $\max\{x | a \wedge x \leq b\} = c$ for a certain c . We do this in two steps. In (Step 1) we prove that if $a \wedge x \leq b$ then $x \leq c$. In (Step 2) we prove that $a \wedge c \leq b$. From these two steps we have that $\max\{x | a \wedge x \leq b\} = c$. In the following x will denote an arbitrary element such that $a \wedge x \leq b$.

(i) The case that $a \in A$ and $b \in A$.

We shall prove that $\max\{x | a \wedge x \leq b\} = a \rightarrow_A b$.

(Step 1) If $x \in A$ then by the definition of $a \rightarrow_A b$, $x \leq a \rightarrow_A b$. Suppose that $x \in B - A$. Then there is some $y \in A \cap B$ such that $a \wedge x \leq y \leq b$. Hence $a^- \wedge_B x = a^- \wedge x \leq a \wedge x \leq y$. So $x \leq a^- \rightarrow_B y$. Then since $a^- \rightarrow_B y \in A \cap B$, $a \wedge (a^- \rightarrow_B y) = a^- \wedge (a^- \rightarrow_B y) \leq y$. Hence $a^- \rightarrow_B y \leq a \rightarrow_A y \leq a \rightarrow_A b$. Thus $x \leq a \rightarrow_A b$.

(Step 2) Obvious.

(ii) The case that $a \in A - B$ and $b \in B - A$.

We shall prove that $\max\{x | a \wedge x \leq b\} = a^- \rightarrow_B b$.

(Step 1) Suppose that $x \in A$, then $a \wedge x \in A$. Then we have $b \in A$, since $a \wedge x \leq b \in A$. This contradicts to $b \in B - A$. So we see that $x \in B$. Now, since $a^- \leq a$, we have that $a^- \wedge_B x = a^- \wedge x \leq a \wedge x \leq b$. Hence $x \leq a^- \rightarrow_B b$.

(Step 2) By definition, $a^- \wedge (a^- \rightarrow_B b) \leq b$. Clearly, $a^- \rightarrow_B b \in B$. Then by (I), $a \wedge (a^- \rightarrow_B b) = a^- \wedge (a^- \rightarrow_B b) \leq b$.

(iii) The case that $a \in B - A$ and $b \in A - B$.

We shall prove that $\max\{x | a \wedge x \leq b\} = a^+ \rightarrow_A b$.

(Step 1) Since $a \wedge x \in B - A$, there is some $y \in A \cap B$ such that $a \wedge x \leq y \leq b$. Suppose $x \in B$. Since $a^+ \wedge (a \rightarrow_B y) = (a \wedge (a \rightarrow_B y))^+ \leq y^+ = y$, we have $a \rightarrow_B y \leq a^+ \rightarrow_A y$. Then, $x \leq a \rightarrow_B y \leq a^+ \rightarrow_A y \leq a^+ \rightarrow_A b$. Next, suppose $x \in A - B$. Then, $a \wedge x^- = a \wedge x \leq b$. Hence $(a \wedge x^-) \vee 0_A \leq b$. Since a , x^- , and 0_A are in B , we can use the distributive law. Hence, $(a \vee 0_A) \wedge (x^- \vee 0_A) \leq b$. So $a^+ \wedge x^- \leq b$. Since $a^+ \in B$ and $x \in A - B$, $a^+ \wedge x = a^+ \wedge x^- \leq b$. Thus we have $x \leq a^+ \rightarrow_A b$, since a^+ , x , and b are in A .

(Step 2) $a \wedge (a^+ \rightarrow_A b) \leq a^+ \wedge (a^+ \rightarrow_A b) \leq b$.

(iv) The case that $a \in B$ and $b \in B$.

We shall prove that

$$\max\{x \mid a \wedge x \leq b\} = \begin{cases} 1_{B \rightarrow A}(a \rightarrow_B b) & (\text{if } a \rightarrow_B b \in A) \\ a \rightarrow_B b & (\text{otherwise}). \end{cases}$$

First we consider the case that $a \rightarrow_B b \in A$. Put $c = 1_{B \rightarrow A}(a \rightarrow_B b)$.

(Step 1) If $x \in B$ then $x \leq a \rightarrow_B b \leq c$. Suppose $x \in A - B$. Then $a \wedge x = a \wedge (1_B \wedge x) \leq b$. Since $1_B \wedge x \in B$, $1_B \wedge x \leq a \rightarrow_B b$. Since 1_B , x , and $a \rightarrow_B b$ are in A , we have $x \leq c$.

(Step 2) By the definition of c , $a \wedge c = a \wedge (1_B \wedge c) \leq a \wedge (a \rightarrow_B b) \leq b$.

Next, suppose $c = a \rightarrow_B b \in B - A$.

(Step 1) If $x \in B$, then by the definition of c , $x \leq c$. If $x \in A - B$, then $a \wedge x^- \leq b$, where $x^- \in B$. Hence $x^- \leq c \in A$. Therefore $x^- \in A$. This is a contradiction.

(Step 2) Obvious.

Q.E.D.

From the above proof we have the following table for the calculation of the logical operators.

$x \wedge y$	$y \in A - B$	$y \in A \cap B$	$y \in B - A$
$x \in A - B$	$x \wedge_A y$	$x \wedge_A y$	$x^- \wedge_B y$
$x \in A \cap B$	$x \wedge_A y$	$x \wedge_A y$	$x \wedge_B y$
$x \in B - A$	$x \wedge_B y^-$	$x \wedge_B y$	$x \wedge_B y$
$x \vee y$	$y \in A - B$	$y \in A \cap B$	$y \in B - A$
$x \in A - B$	$x \vee_A y$	$x \vee_A y$	$x \vee_A y^+$
$x \in A \cap B$	$x \vee_A y$	$x \vee_A y$	$x \vee_B y$
$x \in B - A$	$x^+ \vee_A y$	$x \vee_B y$	$x \vee_B y$
$x \rightarrow y$	$y \in A - B$	$y \in A \cap B$	$y \in B - A$
$x \in A - B$	$x \rightarrow_A y$	$x \rightarrow_A y$	$x^- \rightarrow_B y$
$x \in A \cap B$	$x \rightarrow_A y$	$x \rightarrow_A y$	$x \rightarrow_B y$
$x \in B - A$	$x^+ \rightarrow_A y$	$1_{B \rightarrow A}(x \rightarrow_B y)$	$\begin{cases} 1_{B \rightarrow A}(x \rightarrow_B y) & (\text{if } x \rightarrow_B y \in A) \\ x \rightarrow_B y & (\text{if } x \rightarrow_B y \notin A) \end{cases}$

x	$\neg x$
$x \in A - B$	$\neg_B x^-$
$x \in A \cap B$	$\neg_B x$
$x \in B - A$	$1_B \rightarrow_A (\neg_B x)$ (if $\neg_B x \in A$)
	$\neg_B x$ (if $\neg_B x \notin A$)

Remark. If f is a mapping which identifies 0_A and 1_B , then $A \diamond_f B = A \uparrow B$. Hence the patch operation is a generalization of the pile operation.

§3. Completeness of the Patch Operation

Definition 3.1. A partially ordered set C is called an n -cube if it is isomorphic with the n -dimensional Boolean algebra.

The following theorem clarifies the local structure of a PBA. This theorem will be used in the last section.

Theorem 3.2. Let be that P is a PBA and p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n are distinct maximal elements in $P - \{1\}$. Then $[p_1 \wedge \dots \wedge p_n, 1]$ is an n -cube.

Proof. As an inductive hypothesis, we assume that the theorem holds for $m < n$. Consider an n -dimensional Boolean algebra $B = \mathfrak{B}(\{1, 2, \dots, n\})$. We define $\alpha: B \rightarrow [p_1 \wedge \dots \wedge p_n, 1]$ by putting $\alpha(K) = \bigwedge_{i \in K} p_i$ for any $K \subset \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$. (We consider $\alpha(\emptyset) = 1$) Then, clearly, $\alpha(K \cup L) = \alpha(K) \wedge \alpha(L)$.

We first show that α is injective. To derive a contradiction, let us assume that $K \neq L$ and $\alpha(K) = \alpha(L)$. Then $\alpha(K \cup L) = \alpha(K)$. Hence, without any loss of generality, we have only to consider the case that $K = \{1, 2, \dots, i\}$ and $L = \{1, 2, \dots, i, i+1\}$. That is,

$$\alpha(K) = p_1 \wedge \dots \wedge p_i = p,$$

$$\alpha(L) = p \wedge p_{i+1} = p.$$

Hence $p_{i+1} \geq p_1 \wedge \dots \wedge p_i$. Now by the inductive hypothesis, $[p_1 \wedge \dots \wedge p_i,$

$1]$ is an i -cube. So, p_{i+1} must coincide with one of p_1, \dots, p_i , since p_{i+1} is maximal in $[p_1 \wedge \dots \wedge p_i, 1] - \{1\}$. This is a contradiction.

Next, we prove that α is surjective. Take any $r \geq p_1 \wedge \dots \wedge p_n$. We put $p = p_1 \wedge \dots \wedge p_n$ and $q_i = p_1 \wedge \dots \wedge p_{i-1} \wedge p_{i+1} \wedge \dots \wedge p_n$. Then,

$$r \wedge q_i \geq p \quad (1 \leq i \leq n).$$

First suppose that $r \wedge q_i > p$ for some i . If $r \geq q_i$ we can prove that there is some $K \subset \{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n\}$ such that $r = \alpha(K)$ by the inductive hypothesis. Hence we may assume $r \not\geq q_i$. Then we have $q_i > r \wedge q_i > p$. Since $p_i \vee q_i = 1$, $p_i \wedge q_i = p$, and P is a modular lattice we get $1 > (r \wedge q_i) \vee p_i > p_i$. This contradicts that p_i is maximal in $P - \{1\}$. Thus, there only remains the case that $r \wedge q_i = p$ for any i . Then $p = \bigvee_{i=1}^n (r \wedge q_i) = r \wedge \bigvee_{i=1}^n q_i = r \wedge 1 = r$. Hence $r = \alpha(\{1, 2, \dots, n\})$.

Thus we have seen that $\alpha: B \rightarrow [p, 1]$ is a bijection. Further, if $K \subset L$, then $\alpha(L) = \alpha(K \cup L) = \alpha(K) \wedge \alpha(L)$. Hence $\alpha(K) \geq \alpha(L)$. This means that α is an anti-isomorphism. Since B is self-dual, we see that $[p, 1]$ is an n -cube. Q.E.D.

Dually we have the following

Corollary 3.3. *Let be that P is a PBA and p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n are distinct minimal elements in $P - \{0\}$. Then $[0, p_1 \vee \dots \vee p_n]$ is an n -cube.*

For any p in P , since $[0, p]$ and $[p, 1]$ can be regarded as PBAs,, we can use the above results to investigate the "neighborhood" of p .

The operation of patching naturally suggests the "inverse" operation, namely, the cut operation. But, instead of defining the cut operation, we define the notion of section.

Definition 3.4. *A subset S of a PBA P is called a section of P , if it satisfies the following conditions.*

- (i) $S = [q, p]$ for some p, q such that $q \leq p$.
- (ii) $P = [0, p] \cup [q, 1]$.

S is called proper if $0 < q \leq p < 1$.

Examples: (i) Hosoi [6] proved that the set \mathcal{L} of all intermediate logics is a PBA. Each slice \mathcal{L}_n ($n=1, 2, \dots, \omega$) is a section of \mathcal{L} .

(ii) If two PBAs A and B are patched to make a PBA $A \diamond_r B$ then $A \cap B$ is a section of $A \diamond_r B$.

Now we want to consider the following problem presented by Hosoi and Ono [8]:

“By what operations can all finite PBAs be obtained from 1-cube S_1 ?”

As Hosoi [4] has remarked, Cartesian product and the pile operation are not sufficient, since the PBA of (Fig. 2) can not be obtained from S_1 by these operation.

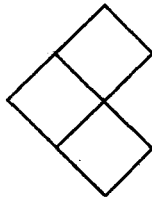


Fig. 2

We shall show that Cartesian product and the patch operation generate all the finite PBAs from S_1 . Further, we shall see that Cartesian product is needed only to obtain n -cube S_1^n . To show this we prepare two lemmas.

Lemma 3.5. *If P is an n -cube, then it has no proper section.*

Proof. Let p_1, \dots, p_n be the collection of the maximal elements in $P - \{1\}$. Suppose P had a proper section $[q, p]$. Then, since $0 < q \leq p < 1$, there exist some L, K such that $\emptyset \subsetneq L \subset K \subsetneq \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ and $p = \bigwedge_{i \in L} p_i$, $q = \bigwedge_{i \in K} p_i$. Take any $j \in K$. Then p_j is neither in $[q, 1]$ nor in $[0, p]$. This is a contradiction.

Lemma 3.6. *If a finite PBA P is not a cube, then it has a proper section.*

Proof. As an inductive hypothesis, we assume that the theorem holds

for any PBA whose cardinality is less than the cardinality of P . Since P is finite, there exists a maximal element p in $P - \{1\}$. Let r_1, r_2, \dots, r_k be the enumeration of the elements such that $p \vee r_j = 1$. Put $r = \bigwedge_{j=1}^k r_j$. Then, $p \vee r = p \vee \bigwedge_{j=1}^k r_j = \bigwedge_{j=1}^k (p \vee r_j) = 1$. Thus r is the least element such that $p \vee r = 1$. Put $q = p \wedge r$.

We shall show that $P = [0, p] \cup [q, 1]$. Suppose $x \in [0, p]$. Then since p is maximal in $P - \{1\}$, $p \vee x = 1$. Hence $x \geq r > q$. That is, $x \in [q, 1]$. Now, if $q > 0$, then we have a proper section $[q, p]$ in P . If $q = 0$, then $P \cong [p, 1] \times [r, 1] \cong S_1 \times [r, 1]$, since $p \vee r = 1$ and $p \wedge r = q = 0$. Since P is not a cube, $[r, 1]$ is also not a cube. Hence it has a proper section, say, $[q', p']$ by the inductive hypothesis. Then it is easy to see that $[q' \wedge p, p']$ is a proper section of P .

From the above two lemmas we have the following

Theorem 3.7. *Any finite PBA can be constructed from S_1 by Cartesian product and by the patch operation, where Cartesian product is necessary only to obtain n -cube S_1^n from S_1 .*

Remark. Let P be the set of all finite PBA and let $C = \{S_1, S_1^2, \dots\}$. For any subset S of P , we define \bar{S} to be the smallest set of finite PBAs such that $\bar{S} \supset S$ and \bar{S} is closed under the patch operation. Then we can see that $\bar{S} = P$ iff $S \supset C$.

Theorems 2.2 and 3.7 give us a very useful criterion to determine whether a partially ordered set is a PBA or not when it is given in the form of Hasse diagram.

§4. The Height of Models

In this section, we give a characterization of slice. First we define the notion of normal chains.

Definition 4.1. *Let M be a model. A chain in M of length n is a finite sequence $(c_i)_{0 \leq i \leq n}$ of elements in M such that $c_0 < c_1 < \dots < c_n$. A chain $(c_i)_{0 \leq i \leq n}$ is normal if $c_i \rightarrow c_{i-1} = c_{i-1}$ ($1 \leq i \leq n$). The length of a*

chain $\alpha = (c_i)_{0 \leq i \leq n}$ will be denoted as $l(\alpha)$.

Definition 4.2. Let M be a model. The height $h(M)$ of the model M is $\sup\{l(\alpha) \mid \alpha \text{ is a normal chain in } M\}$.

Definition 4.3. We define wffs $P_n (n=0, 1, 2, \dots)$ inductively as follows:

$$\begin{cases} P_0 = a_0, \\ P_i = ((a_i \rightarrow P_{i-1}) \rightarrow a_i) \rightarrow a_i \quad (i \geq 1). \end{cases}$$

Now we state our main theorem in this section.

Theorem 4.4. Let M and N be two models. If $L(M) = L(N)$ then $h(M) = h(N)$.

To prove this we prepare some lemmas.

Lemma 4.5. $S_n \supset L(M)$ iff $h(M) \geq n$.

Proof. Suppose $S_n \supset L(M)$. Let $L_n = \{c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n\}$, where $c_0 < c_1 < \dots < c_n$. Clearly $(c_i)_{0 \leq i \leq n}$ is a normal chain. Let f be an assignment function such that $f(a_i) = c_i$. It is easy to see that $f(P_i) = c_i$ ($0 \leq i \leq n$). Hence $f(P_{n-1}) = c_{n-1} < c_n \leq 1$. Thus $P_{n-1} \in S_n$. This implies $P_{n-1} \in L(M)$, hence $S_n \supset L(M)$. Therefore we have an assignment function g into M such that $g(P_{n-1}) < 1$. Let us put $d_i = g(P_i)$ ($i \geq 0$). Now by Lemma 4.3 in [5], the following (a) and (b) are provable in LJ .

$$(a) \quad P_{i-1} \rightarrow P_i \equiv a_0 \rightarrow a_0 \quad (i \geq 1),$$

$$(b) \quad P_i \rightarrow P_{i-1} \equiv P_{i-1} \quad (i \geq 1).$$

By (a) we have $d_{i-1} \leq d_i$. Suppose $d_{i-1} = d_i$. Then by (b), $d_{i-1} = d_i \rightarrow d_{i-1} = 1$. Combining these results, since $d_{n-1} \neq 1$, we have $d_0 < d_1 < \dots < d_n$. Again by (b), $(d_i)_{0 \leq i \leq n}$ is a normal chain of length n . Thus $h(M) \geq n$.

Now we prove the converse. Suppose $h(M) \geq n$. Then there is a normal chain $(c_i)_{0 \leq i \leq n}$ of length n . It is easy to see that $C = \{c_0, c_1, \dots, c_{n-1}, 1\}$ is a subalgebra of M , i.e., closed under the four logical operations.

It is also clear that C is isomorphic with L_n . Hence $S_n \supset L(M)$.

If we check the proof of the sufficiency of Lemma 4.5 we have the following

Corollary 4.6. $P_{n-1} \notin L(M)$ iff $h(M) \geq n$.

Now the proof of Theorem 4.4 is immediate from Corollary 4.6. We also obtain the following theorem which characterizes slice.

Theorem 4.7. $L(M) \in \mathcal{S}_n$ iff $h(M) = n$.

By our characterization of slice we can prove the following theorem in [5].

Theorem 4.8. If $L(M) \in \mathcal{S}_m$ and $L(N) \in \mathcal{S}_n$ then $L(M \uparrow N) \in \mathcal{S}_{m+n}$.

Proof. By the hypothesis, we have two normal chains $(c_i)_{0 \leq i \leq m}$ in M and $(d_i)_{0 \leq i \leq n}$ in N . It is easy to see that $c_0 \rightarrow d_{n-1} = d_{n-1}$. Hence $d_0, d_1, \dots, d_{n-1}, c_0, c_1, \dots, c_m$ is a normal chain of length $m+n$. Hence $h(M \uparrow N) \geq m+n$. Now suppose $h(M \uparrow N) > m+n$. Then we have a normal chain $(c_i)_{0 \leq i \leq m+n+1}$ in $M \uparrow N$. Clearly there is some k such that $c_{k-1} \in N - \{1_N\}$ and $c_k \in M$. Then $c_0, c_1, \dots, c_{k-1}, 1_N$ is a normal chain of length k , and $c_k, c_{k+1}, \dots, c_{m+n+1}$ is a normal chain of length $m+n+1-k$. Hence $k \leq n$, and $m+n+1-k \leq m$. That is, $n+1 \leq k \leq n$. This is a contradiction.

Following Ono [10], a Kripke model is a partially ordered set. Let K be a Kripke model. A subset J of K is called closed if $p \in J$ and $q \geq p$ implies $q \in J$. It is a well-known fact that the set P_K of all closed subsets of K is a model, i.e., a PBA. It can be easily seen that K and P_K is characteristic for the same logic (see [1], [2]). We write $L^*(K)$ for the logic characterized by K . For the definition of the height of K (denoted as $h^*(K)$), we refer to [10].

Now using Theorem 4.7, we give another proof for the following theorem due to Ono,

Theorem 4.9. *If $h^*(K) = n$ then $L^*(K) \in \mathcal{S}_n$ ($1 \leq n \leq \omega$).*

Proof. It suffices to prove the case that n is finite. Since $h^*(K) = n$, we have a chain in K such that

$$(1) \quad c_1 < c_2 < \dots < c_n.$$

For any $c \in K$, put $T_c = \{d \mid d \leq c\}$. Clearly $T_c \in P_K$. We prove that if $c < c'$ then $T_c \rightarrow T_{c'} = T_{c'}$. Put $R = T_c \rightarrow T_{c'}$. Then

$$(2) \quad T_c \cap R \subset T_{c'},$$

and $R \supset T_{c'}$. Suppose $R \not\equiv T_{c'}$ and let d be any element in $R - T_{c'}$. Then $d \leq c'$, since $d \in T_{c'}$. This implies $c' \in R$, since $d \in R$ and R is closed. On the other hand, $c' \in T_c$ since $c < c'$. Hence by (2), $c' \in T_{c'}$. This is a contradiction.

Therefore the following chain in P_K is a normal chain of length n :

$$K \equiv T_{c_1} \equiv T_{c_2} \equiv \dots \equiv T_{c_n}.$$

Thus,

$$(3) \quad h(P_K) \geq h^*(K).$$

Now suppose $m = h(P_K)$. Then we have the following normal chain in P_K : $N_0 \equiv N_1 \equiv \dots \equiv N_m$.

Let d_1 be any element in $N_m - N_{m-1}$. For any $c \in K$, put $M_c = \{d \mid d \geq c\}$. Clearly $M_c \in P_K$. We have $N_{m-1} \cap M_{d_1} \not\subset N_{m-2}$, since otherwise $M_{d_1} \subset N_{m-2}$. Let d_2 be any element in $(N_{m-1} \cap M_{d_1}) - N_{m-2}$. Then $d_2 \in N_{m-1} - N_{m-2}$ and $d_2 > d_1$. Continuing the same process, we have the following chain in K : $d_1 < d_2 < \dots < d_m$. Hence,

$$(4) \quad h(P_K) \leq h^*(K).$$

By (3) and (4), we get $h(P_K) = h^*(K)$.

§5. Applications

Let us consider a finite PBA P . Let a be any element in P and let b_1, b_2, \dots, b_k be the enumeration of elements such that $b_j \rightarrow a = a$. (Since $1 \rightarrow a = a$, $k \geq 1$.) Put $b = b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_k$. Then $b \rightarrow a = (b_1 \wedge \dots \wedge b_k) \rightarrow a = b_1 \rightarrow$

$(b_2 \rightarrow \dots (b_{k-1} \rightarrow (b_k \rightarrow a)) \dots) = a$. This means that b is the least element such that $b \rightarrow a = a$. Define a mapping $\lambda: P \rightarrow P$ by $\lambda(a) = b$.

Now we define a sequence $\{c_i\}_{i=0, \dots}$ as follows:

$$\begin{cases} c_0 = 0, \\ c_{k+1} = \lambda(c_k) \quad (k \geq 0). \end{cases}$$

We call this sequence the central sequence in P . We can easily see that if n is the least integer such that $c_n = 1$, then $c_0 = c_{n+1} = 0$ and $c_0 < c_1 < \dots < c_n = 1$. This sequence has the following property.

Theorem 5.1. *Let $\{c_i\}$ be the central sequence in P , and n be the least integer such that $c_n = 1$. Then $h(P) = n$.*

Proof. Since $0 = c_0 < c_1 < \dots < c_n = 1$ is a normal chain, $h(P) \geq n$. Suppose $h(P) > n$. Then we have a normal chain $d_0 < d_1 < \dots < d_n < d_{n+1}$. Clearly $c_0 \leq d_0$. Then from the next Lemma 5.2, $d_1 \rightarrow c_0 = c_0$. Hence $c_1 \leq d_1$. Continuing the same process, we see that $c_2 \leq d_2, \dots, c_n \leq d_n$. Thus we obtain $1 = c_n \leq d_n < d_{n+1}$. This is a contradiction.

Lemma 5.2. *If $a > b \geq c$ and $a \rightarrow b = b$, then $a \rightarrow c = c$.*

Proof. Let $d = a \rightarrow c$. Then $a \wedge d = a \wedge (a \rightarrow c) \leq c \leq b$. On the other hand, $a \rightarrow b = b$. Hence $d \leq b$. Since $b < a$, $d = a \wedge d = a \wedge (a \rightarrow c) \leq c$. Clearly $d = a \rightarrow c \geq c$. Therefore $d = c$.

Theorem 5.3. *If $h(P) = n$, then $[c_i, c_{i+1}]$ is a cube.*

Proof. Since other cases can be proved similarly, we only show that $[0, c_1]$ is a cube. Let $\{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k\}$ be the set of minimal elements in $P - \{0\}$. Then it is easy to see that $x \rightarrow 0 = 0$ iff $x \geq p_j$ for $1 \leq j \leq k$. Hence $c_1 = \bigvee_{j=1}^k p_j$. Then from Corollary 4.3 we have that $[0, c_1]$ is a cube.

By Theorem 5.1 and 5.3 we can easily calculate the height of a model if its Hasse diagram is given.

A logic L is called an immediate predecessor of another logic L' if $L \not\equiv L'$ and there are no logics between L and L' . We write $L \prec L'$ to

denote that L is an immediate predecessor of L' .

Concerning immediate predecessors of S_n , Hosoi proved that if $n \geq 3$ then $S_{n+1} \prec S_n$, $S_n \cap S_1 \uparrow S_1^2 \prec S_n$, and $S_n \cap S_1 \uparrow S_1^2 \uparrow S_1 \prec S_n$. (See Ono [11].) Since \mathcal{L} is a PBA, we can apply Theorem 3.2 to obtain the following theorem. We owe this remark to Prof. T. Hosoi.

Theorem 5.4. $S_n \cap S_1 \uparrow S_1^2 \cap S_1 \uparrow S_1^2 \uparrow S_1 \prec S_n \cap S_1 \uparrow S_1^2$,
 $S_n \cap S_1 \uparrow S_1^2 \cap S_1 \uparrow S_1^2 \uparrow S_1 \prec S_n \cap S_1 \uparrow S_1^2 \uparrow S_1$,
 $S_{n+1} \cap S_1 \uparrow S_1^2 \prec S_n \cap S_1 \uparrow S_1^2$, and
 $S_{n+1} \cap S_1 \uparrow S_1^2 \uparrow S_1 \prec S_n \cap S_1 \uparrow S_1^2 \uparrow S_1$.

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