

A NEW LOOK AT THE EFFECTS OF A HILBERT SPACE

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EVENT-STATE SYSTEM



$$\langle \Pi(\mathcal{H}), \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) \rangle$$



STANDARD (SHARP) QUANTUM MECHANICS

- $\Pi(\mathcal{H})$ is the set of all **projections** of the Hilbert space \mathcal{H} .
- $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$ is the set of all **density** operators of \mathcal{H} .

The set of all **projections** is in 1-1 correspondence with the set of all **closed subspaces** of \mathcal{H} .



OBSERVABLES

are represented as

PROJECTION-VALUED MEASURES



THE LATTICE-THEORETIC STRUCTURE OF PROJECTIONS

- $\forall P, Q \in \Pi(\mathcal{H})$:
 - $P \wedge Q$ is the projection onto the closed subspace associated to the **intersection** of the closed subspaces that are associated to the projections P and Q ;
 - $P \vee Q$ is the projection onto the **smallest closed subspace associated to the union** of the closed subspaces that are associated to the projections P and Q .
 - $P' = \mathbb{I} - P$, where \mathbb{I} is the identity operator.
Equivalently, if X is the closed subspace associated to P , then P' is the projection that is associated to the closed subspace
 $X' := \{\psi \in \mathcal{H} \mid \forall \varphi \in X : \psi \perp \varphi\}$.



THE LATTICE-THEORETIC STRUCTURE OF PROJECTIONS

$$\langle \Pi(\mathcal{H}), \wedge, \vee, ', \mathbb{O}, \mathbb{I} \rangle$$

is an **orthomodular lattice**, where the induced partial order \preceq turns out to be:

$$P \preceq Q \text{ iff } \forall \psi \in \mathcal{H} : \langle \psi | P\psi \rangle \leq \langle \psi | Q\psi \rangle.$$



SOME FEATURES OF PROJECTIONS

- $\forall P \in \Pi(\mathcal{H})$: *Eigenvalues*(P) $\subseteq \{0, 1\}$;
- $\forall P \in \Pi(\mathcal{H})$: $P \vee P' = \mathbb{I}$ (**excluded middle law, sharpness**).
- $\forall P \in \Pi(\mathcal{H})$: $P \wedge P' = \mathbb{0}$ (**noncontradiction law, sharpness**).
- $P' = P_{\ker(P)}$, where $P_{\ker(P)}$ is the projection that is associated to the closed subspace $\ker(P) := \{\psi \in \mathcal{H} \mid P\psi = \underline{0}\}$;
- $d(\mathcal{H}) < \infty$ iff $\Pi(\mathcal{H})$ is **modular**, i.e.,
 $P \preceq Q$ iff $\forall R \in \Pi(\mathcal{H}) : P \vee (Q \wedge R) = Q \wedge (P \vee R)$.



The notion of **quantum event** is liberalized.

The set $\Pi(\mathcal{H})$ is replaced by the set of all **effects** of \mathcal{H} (denoted by $\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H})$), where an effect of \mathcal{H} is a bounded linear operator E that satisfies the following condition:

$$\forall \rho \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) : \text{tr}(\rho E) \in [0, 1].$$

In general: $E^2 \neq E$. Thus, $\Pi(\mathcal{H}) \subset \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H})$.



OBSERVABLES

are represented as

POSITIVE-OPERATOR VALUED MEASURES



THE ALGEBRAIC STRUCTURE(S?) OF EFFECTS

- $\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H})$ can be **partially ordered**:

$$E \preceq F \text{ iff } \forall \rho \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) : \text{tr}(\rho E) \leq \text{tr}(\rho F).$$



$$\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H}) = \{E \mid \mathbb{0} \preceq E \preceq \mathbb{I}\}.$$

An effect is a positive linear operator bounded by \mathbb{I} .



THE ALGEBRAIC STRUCTURE(S?) OF EFFECTS

- $\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H})$ can be equipped with an **involution** operation $'$:

$$E' = \mathbb{I} - E.$$

THEOREM

$\langle \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H}), \preceq, ', \odot, \mathbb{I} \rangle$ is a **Kleene bounded involution poset**, i.e., a bounded involution poset that satisfies the **Kleene condition**:

$\forall E, F \in \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H}) : \text{if } E \preceq E' \text{ and } F \preceq F', \text{ then } E \preceq F'.$



THE ALGEBRAIC STRUCTURE(S?) OF EFFECTS

However, in general:

$$E \wedge E' \neq \mathbb{0}$$

The noncontradiction law fails.



DEFINITION

An **bounded involution** poset (lattice) is a structure $\mathcal{L} = \langle L, \preceq, ', \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1} \rangle$ where:

- $\langle L, \preceq, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1} \rangle$ is a **bounded** poset (lattice)
($\forall a \in L : \mathbf{0} \preceq a$ and $a \preceq \mathbf{1}$);
- $'$ is an **involution**, i.e., a 1-ary operation
 $' : L \rightarrow L$ such that $\forall a, b \in L$:
 - $a'' = a$; (double negation)
 - If $a \preceq b$, then $b' \preceq a'$; (contraposition)
(equivalently, $(a \vee b)' = a' \wedge b'$, provided \mathcal{L} is a lattice).



- The class of all **bounded involution lattices** is a **variety** (\mathbb{BIL}).



DEFINITION

An **Kleene poset (lattice)** is a bounded involution poset $\mathcal{L} = \langle L, \preceq, ', \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1} \rangle$ that satisfies the **Kleene condition**:

$$\forall a, b \in L: \text{ if } a \preceq a' \text{ and } b \preceq b', \text{ then } a \preceq b'$$



- The class of all **Kleene lattices** is a **variety** (KL), being the Kleene condition equivalent to the equation

$$a \wedge a' \preceq b \vee b'$$



THE ALGEBRAIC STRUCTURE(S?) OF EFFECTS

$\langle \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H}), \preceq, ', \oplus, \mathbb{I} \rangle$ is a **Kleene poset**

,

which is **not a lattice**.



THE ALGEBRAIC STRUCTURE(S?) OF EFFECTS

Is it possible to equip $\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H})$ with
lattice-theoretic operations?



DEFINITION

A (bounded) **spectral family** is a map $M : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \Pi(\mathcal{H})$ that satisfies the following conditions:

- $\forall \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$: if $\lambda \leq \mu$, then $M(\lambda) \preceq M(\mu)$ (*monotonicity*);
- $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$: $M(\lambda) = \bigwedge_{\mu > \lambda} M(\mu)$ (*right-continuity*);
- $\exists \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $\forall \eta \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$M(\eta) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{O}, & \text{if } \eta < \lambda; \\ \mathbb{I}, & \text{if } \eta \geq \mu. \end{cases}$$



THEOREM

- If A is a *bounded self-adjoint operator* of \mathcal{H} , then there exists a *spectral family* M^A such that

$$A = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda dM^A(\lambda), \quad (**)$$

where the integral is meant in the sense of norm-converging Riemann-Stieltjes sums.

- Every *spectral family* $M: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \Pi(\mathcal{H})$ determines a **unique** *bounded self-adjoint operator* on \mathcal{H} according to (**).



M^A := the spectral family **uniquely** associated to the bounded self-adjoint operator A .

In particular, if E is a **projection**, we have:

$$M^E(\lambda) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{O}, & \text{if } \lambda < 0; \\ \mathbb{I} - E, & \text{if } 0 \leq \lambda < 1; \\ \mathbb{I}, & \text{if } \lambda \geq 1. \end{cases}$$



Let E, F be two effects.

$$E \preceq_s F \text{ iff } \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R} : M^F(\lambda) \preceq M^E(\lambda).$$



THEOREM (OLSON 1971, H. F. DE GROOTE 2005)

- $\forall E, F \in \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H})$: $E \preceq_s F$ implies $E \preceq F$, but not the other way around;
- $\forall E, F \in \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H})$: if E and F commute ($EF = FE$), then $E \preceq_s F$ iff $E \preceq F$;
- $\forall E, F \in \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H})$ such that E or F is a projection: $E \preceq_s F$ iff $E \preceq F$.



THE SPECTRAL OPERATIONS \vee_s AND \wedge_s

Let M_1 and M_2 be two spectral families.

Let $M_1 \vee_s M_2$ and $M_1 \wedge_s M_2$ be the maps from \mathbb{R} to $\Pi(\mathcal{H})$ such that $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$:

- $(M_1 \vee_s M_2)(\lambda) := M_1(\lambda) \wedge M_2(\lambda);$
- $(M_1 \wedge_s M_2)(\lambda) := \bigwedge_{\mu > \lambda} (M_1(\mu) \vee M_2(\mu)).$



THEOREM

- $M_1 \vee_s M_2$ and $M_1 \wedge_s M_2$ are spectral families.



By $E \wedge_s F$ and $E \vee_s F$ we denote the effects whose spectral families are $(M^E \wedge_s M^F)$ and $(M^E \vee_s M^F)$, respectively.



THEOREM (OLSON 1971, H. F. DE GROOTE 2005)

- $\langle \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H}), \wedge_s, \vee_s, \mathbb{O}, \mathbb{I} \rangle$ is a bounded *lattice* such that $\forall E, F \in \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H})$: $E \preceq_s F$ iff $E = E \wedge_s F$.
- $\forall P, Q \in \Pi(\mathcal{H})$: $P \wedge Q = P \wedge_s Q$;
 $P \vee Q = P \vee_s Q$.



(SPECTRAL) INVOLUTION

Let M be a spectral family. Let M' be the map from \mathbb{R} to $\Pi(\mathcal{H})$ such that

$$\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R} : M'(\lambda) := \mathbb{I} - \bigvee_{\mu < 1-\lambda} M(\mu).$$

For any effect E , the map $(M^E)'$ is the spectral family associated to $E' := \mathbb{I} - E$.



THEOREM (H. F. DE GROOTE 2005, A. L., F. PAOLI, R. GIUNTINI 2016)

$\langle \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H}), \wedge_s, \vee_s, ', \odot, \mathbb{I} \rangle$ is a *Kleene lattice*, i.e., a bounded involution lattice that satisfies the (lattice-theoretic equivalent) Kleene condition:

$$\forall E, F \in \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H}) : E \wedge_s E' \preceq_s F \vee_s F'.$$

(A possible contradiction always implies a possible truth)

In general: $E \vee_s E' \neq \mathbb{I}$.



(ALMOST) NO-ORTHOMODULARITY IN SIGHT

What is the relationship between the **orthomodular law(s)** and the **excluded middle law (noncontradiction)** law?



THEOREM

Let \mathcal{L} be a *bounded involution lattice*. The following conditions are equivalent:

- 1 \mathcal{L} satisfies the *orthomodular property*:
 $\forall a, b \in L : \text{if } a \preceq b, \text{ then } b = a \vee (a' \wedge b);$
- 2 \mathcal{L} satisfies the *orthomodular equation*:
 $\forall a, b \in L : a \vee b = ((a \vee b) \wedge b') \vee b;$
- 3 the Sasaki implication \rightarrow_S
($a \rightarrow_S b := a' \vee (a \wedge b)$) satisfies the *modus ponens rule*:
 $(a \rightarrow_S b) \wedge a \preceq b.$



As a consequence:

if \mathcal{L} is a **bounded involution lattice** that satisfies the **orthomodular property**



\mathcal{L} is an **ortholattice** : $\forall a \in L : a \vee a' = \mathbf{1}$.

No room for “orthomodularity” in an unsharp universe?



Recall that if \mathcal{L} is an **ortholattice**, then \mathcal{L} satisfies the **orthomodularity law**

iff

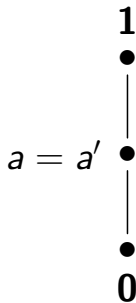
\mathcal{L} satisfies the following condition
(**orthomodularity 4**):

$$\forall a, b \in L : \text{if } a \preceq b \text{ and } a' \wedge b = \mathbf{0}, \text{ then } a = b$$



RECOVERING “ORTHOMODULARITY” IN AN UNSHARP FRAME

- There are **Kleene lattices** that **satisfy** “orthomodularity 4” but **violates** the **excluded middle law!**



DEFINITION

A **paraorthomodular lattice** is a bounded involution Kleene lattice \mathcal{L} that satisfies the **paraorthomodular property** (= “orthomodularity 4”):

$\forall a, b \in L$: if $a \preceq b$ and $a' \wedge b = \mathbf{0}$, then $a = b$.



THEOREM (A. L., F. PAOLI, R. GIUNTINI 2016)

- $\langle \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H}), \wedge_s, \vee_s, ', \mathbb{O}, \mathbb{I} \rangle$ is a *paraorthomodular lattice*



THEOREM (A. L., F. PAOLI, R. GIUNTINI 2016)

- *The class \mathbb{PL} of all paraorthomodular lattices is a proper quasivariety;*
- *$HSP(\mathbb{PL}) = \mathbb{KL}$;*
- *If \mathcal{L} is a **modular** Kleene lattice, then \mathcal{L} is a **paraorthomodular** lattice.*



In the frame of **Kleene lattices** we recover well know results of orthomodular lattice theory:

Distributivity $\begin{matrix} \Rightarrow \\ \not\Leftarrow \end{matrix}$ Modularity $\begin{matrix} \Rightarrow \\ \not\Leftarrow \end{matrix}$ Paraorthomodularity



THEOREM (DVURECENSKIJ, GUDDER,...DE GROOTE)

Let E be an *effect*. The following conditions are equivalent:

- E is a *projection*;
- $E \vee_s E' = \mathbb{I}$ (E is “sharp”).

SHARP EFFECTS = PROJECTIONS



$$\forall E \in \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H}) : E^{\sim} := P_{\ker(E)}$$

THEOREM (THE COLLAPSE OF SHARPNESS)

Let E be an *effect*. The following conditions are equivalent:

- E is a *projection*;
- $E \vee_s E' = \mathbb{I}$ (E is “sharp”);
- $E' = E^{\sim}$.



THEOREM (H. F. DE GROOTE 2005, ET AL.)

The operation \sim is a **Brouwer complement**, i.e.,
 $\forall E, F \in \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H})$:

- $E \preceq_s E^{\sim\sim}$;
- if $E \preceq_s F$, then $F^{\sim} \preceq_s E^{\sim}$;
(equivalently: $(E \vee_s F)^{\sim} = E^{\sim} \wedge_s F^{\sim}$)
- $E \wedge_s E^{\sim} = \mathbb{0}$;
- $E^{\sim'} = E^{\sim\sim}$.



Is it possible to characterize in a **lattice-theoretic way** a satisfactory notion of “**projection**” in such a way that different notions of **sharpness** turns out to be equivalent ?

To do that we need **two complements**:

- a **fuzzy-like** complement ($'$);
- an **intuitionistic-like** complement (\sim).



DEFINITION

A **Brouwer Zadeh lattice (BZ-lattice)** is a structure $\mathcal{L} = \langle L, \wedge, \vee, ', \sim, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1} \rangle$, where:

- $\langle L, \wedge, \vee, ', \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1} \rangle$ is a **Kleene lattice**;
- \sim is an **intuitionistic-like** complement, i.e., $\forall a, b \in L$:
 - $a \preceq a^{\sim\sim}$;
 - $a \wedge a^{\sim} = \mathbf{0}$;
 - if $a \preceq b$ then $b^{\sim} \preceq a^{\sim}$;
(equivalently, $(a \vee b)^{\sim} = a^{\sim} \wedge b^{\sim}$)
- $\forall a \in L$:
 - $a^{\sim'} = a^{\sim\sim}$ (\sim collapses into $'$ on \sim -elements).



- The class of all **BZ-lattices** is a variety (\mathbb{BZL}).



DEFINITION

- $\diamond(a) := a^{\sim\sim}$;
- $\square(a) = a'^{\sim}$.



DEFINITION

Let \mathcal{L} be a BZ-lattice. An element $a \in L$ is said to be **Kleene-sharp** iff $a \vee a' = \mathbf{1}$.

$S_K(L)$ denotes the class of Kleene-sharp elements of \mathcal{L} .

- $S_K(L)$ is **closed** under the operations $'$ and \sim , but **not** under the operations \wedge or \vee .



DEFINITION

An element $a \in L$ is said to be **Brouwer-sharp** iff $a \vee a^\sim = \mathbf{1}$.

$S_B(L)$ denotes the class of all Brouwer-sharp elements of \mathcal{L} .

- $S_B(L)$ is **closed** under the operations $'$ and \sim , but **not** under the operations \wedge or \vee .



DEFINITION

An element $a \in L$ is \diamond -sharp iff $\diamond(a) := a^{\sim\sim} = a$.

$S_{\diamond}(L)$ denotes the class of all \diamond -sharp elements of \mathcal{L} .

- $S_{\diamond}(L)$ is **closed** under the operations $'$, \sim , \wedge , \vee . Thus, $S_{\diamond}(L)$ is the universe of a **sub-BZ ortholattice** of \mathcal{L} .



THE COLLAPSE OF SHARPNESS IN $\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H})$

THEOREM (G. CATTANEO AND G. MARINO 1994, H. F. DE GROOTE 2005)

If $\langle \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H}), \wedge_s, \vee_s, ', \sim, \mathbb{O}, \mathbb{I} \rangle$ is the BZ-lattice of effects, then

$$S_{\diamond}(\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H})) = S_B(\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H})) = S_K(\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H})).$$



THEOREM (G. CATTANEO AND G. MARINO 1984)

If $\mathcal{L} = \langle L, \wedge, \vee, ', \sim, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1} \rangle$ is a BZ-lattice, then

$$S_{\diamond}(L) \subset S_B(L) \subset S_K(L).$$



HOW TO RECOVER THE COLLAPSE OF SHARPNESS IN AN ABSTRACT WAY: A FIRST ATTEMPT

DEFINITION

A **BZ***-lattice is a BZ-lattice \mathcal{L} that satisfies the following condition:

$$\forall a \in L : (a \wedge a')^{\sim} \preceq a^{\sim} \vee a'^{\sim}.$$

Possible reading: the strong negation of a possible contradiction $(a \wedge a')$ implies that either a is necessary or a is impossible. In a modal tone of voice:

$$(\diamond(a \wedge a'))' \preceq \square(a) \vee (\diamond(a))'.$$



HOW TO RECOVER THE COLLAPSE OF SHARPNESS IN AN ABSTRACT WAY: A FIRST ATTEMPT

THEOREM (A. L., F. PAOLI, R. GIUNTINI 2016)
 $\langle \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H}), \wedge_s, \vee_s, ', \sim, \odot, \mathbb{I} \rangle$ is a BZ^* -lattice.

THEOREM (A. L., F. PAOLI, R. GIUNTINI 2016)
If \mathcal{L} is a BZ^* -lattice, then

$$S_B(L) = S_K(L).$$

However, in general,

$$S_K(L) \not\subseteq S_\diamond(L).$$



HOW TO RECOVER THE COLLAPSE OF SHARPNESS AND SOME FORM OF “ORTHOMODULARITY”!

DEFINITION

A **paraorthomodular BZ-lattice** (**PBZ-lattice**) is a BZ-lattice such that the reduct $\langle L, \wedge, \vee, ', \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1} \rangle$ is **paraorthomodular** (if $a \leq b$ and $a' \wedge b = \mathbf{0}$, then $a = b$).



HOW TO RECOVER THE COLLAPSE OF SHARPNESS AND SOME FORM OF “ORTHOMODULARITY”

THEOREM (A. L., F. PAOLI, R. GIUNTINI 2016)

Let \mathcal{L} be a BZ^* -lattice. The following conditions are equivalent:

- \mathcal{L} is *paraorthomodular*:
 $\forall a, b \in L : \text{if } a \preceq b \text{ and } a' \wedge b = \mathbf{0}, \text{ then } a = b.$
- $\forall a, b \in L$:
 $(\diamond(a) \rightarrow_s \diamond(b)) \wedge \diamond(a) \preceq \diamond(b), \text{ i.e.}$
 $(a^{\sim} \vee (a^{\sim\sim} \wedge b^{\sim\sim})) \wedge a^{\sim\sim} \leq b^{\sim\sim}$
(\diamond -orthomodularity or \diamond -modus ponens).





Unlike paraorthomodular Kleene lattices, the class of all **paraorthomodular BZ^{*}-lattices** is a **variety** (denoted PBZL^*)



THEOREM (A. L., F. PAOLI, R. GIUNTINI 2016)

$\langle \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H}), \wedge_s, \vee_s, ', \sim, \mathbb{O}, \mathbb{I} \rangle$ is a *PBZ*-lattice*.

THEOREM (A. L., F. PAOLI, R. GIUNTINI 2016)

If \mathcal{L} is a *PBZ*-lattice*, then

- $S_B(L) = S_K(L) = S_{\diamond}(L)$.
- The *sub-ortholattice* $\langle S_K(L), \wedge, \vee, ', \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1} \rangle$ is *orthomodular*.



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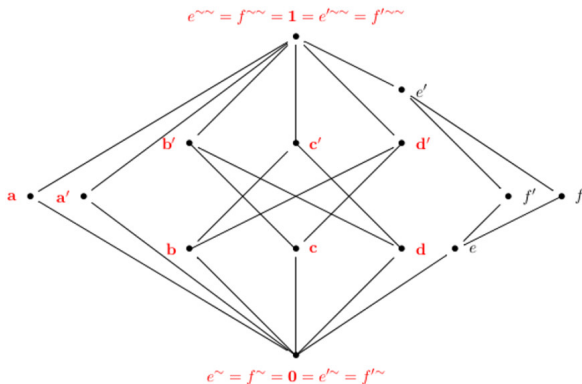
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If \mathcal{L} is a *PBZ*-lattice*, then

- $S_B(L) = S_K(L) = S_\diamond(L)$.
- The *sub-ortholattice* $\langle S_K(L), \wedge, \vee, ', \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1} \rangle$ is *orthomodular*.





The smallest **nonmodular** PBZ*-lattice. The **red lattice** is the orthomodular lattice \mathcal{L}_{10} , i.e., the smallest **nonmodular orthomodular lattice**



PBZ*-lattices are faithful generalizations of $\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{H})$ with a good “orthomodular flavor”!



Thank you!



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OPEN QUESTIONS

- Determine whether there is an **equation in the** \sim -free fragment which holds in the class of PBZ*-lattices of effects of some Hilbert space but fails in \mathbb{PBZL}^* .
- Develop a theory of **commuting elements** and a notion of **commutator** for PBZ*-lattices, verifying if it is possible to establish some analogue of the Foulis-Holland theorem for orthomodular lattices.







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