

# Reachability Analysis of the Equivalence of Two Terms in Free Orthomodular Lattices

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# Word Problem

- The problem of deciding whether or not two given terms (words) of algebras are equivalent is called the **word problem** for the algebras.
- The word problem for various kinds of lattices is one of the central topics in lattice theory.
  - The word problem for **free distributive lattices** is solvable [Takeuchi, 1969].
  - The word problem for **free modular lattices** with  $n \leq 3$  generators is solvable and that for free modular lattices with  $n \geq 4$  generators is unsolvable [Herrmann, 1983].
  - The word problem for **free ortholattices** is solvable [Bruns, 1976].
  - The word problem for **free modular ortholattices** with  $n \leq 2$  generators is solvable and that for general free modular ortholattices remains an open problem [Roddy, 1989].
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- In this presentation, we focus on **free orthomodular lattices** because is significant as the algebraic structure of Quantum Logic.
  - Since 1936, the algebraic structure of quantum mechanics called orthomodular lattices have attracted many logicians' attention [Birkhoff and von Neumann, 1936].
  - This is because the set of all closed subspaces (experimental propositions [Birkhoff and von Neumann, 1936]) of a Hilbert space is an orthomodular lattice [Rédei, 1998, Proposition 4.5].
- However, the word problem for free orthomodular lattices still remains an open problem [Bruns and Harding, 2000].
- Instead of tackling this open problem, we try to implement a tool that supports to check the equivalence of two terms in free orthomodular lattices using Maude.

# Previous Studies

- There are two existing programs [Megill and Pavičić, 2001, Hyčko, 2005] for checking the equivalence of two terms in free orthomodular lattices.
- However, these programs cannot deal with terms that consist of three or more free variables.
  - This is because there are infinite normal forms in three or more free generators, even though there are only 96 normal forms in the case of two free generators.
  - This limitation to some two free generators is fatal when proving theorems expressed by three or more generators in orthomodular lattices.
- We overcome this limitation by incorporating the idea of reachability analysis into a neither confluent nor terminating term rewriting system for free orthomodular lattices.

- The word problem is transformed into a **reachability problem** in the term rewriting system by searching for the reachable state space from an initial state.
- The reachability problem is conducted through a breadth-first search in an incremental way, which does not strictly require the reachable state space to be finite.  
(However, the reachability analysis may not terminate in general.)
- Based on this idea, we implement a support tool in Maude, a rewriting logic-based specification/programming language that can deal with terms that consist of three or more free variables.

- Our support tool consists of a formal specification of free orthomodular lattices and an implementation of
  - 1 the 96 normal forms of two generators and
  - 2 a theorem describing when the distributive laws can be applied to check the word problem for free orthomodular lattices.
- To demonstrate the effectiveness of our approach, we verify the validity of some axioms with three free variables in several implication algebras [Hardegree, 1981, Abbott, 1976, Chajda et al., 2001, Georgacarakos, 1980].

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## Definition 1

A **lattice** is a triple  $(L, \wedge, \vee)$  that consists of a non-empty set  $L$  and functions  $\wedge : L \times L \rightarrow L$  and  $\vee : L \times L \rightarrow L$  satisfying

- 1 (Associativity)  $p \wedge (q \wedge r) = (p \wedge q) \wedge r$  and  $p \vee (q \vee r) = (p \vee q) \vee r$ ,
- 2 (Commutativity)  $p \wedge q = q \wedge p$  and  $p \vee q = q \vee p$ ,
- 3 (Idempotency)  $p \wedge p = p$  and  $p \vee p = p$ ,
- 4 (Absorption)  $p \wedge (p \vee q) = p$  and  $p \vee (p \wedge q) = p$ .

## Definition 2

A lattice  $(L, \wedge, \vee)$  is said to be

- **bounded** if it has the least element (denoted by  $\perp$ ) and the greatest element (denoted by  $\top$ ) under the partial order  $\leq$ .
- **distributive** if the distributive law holds:

$$p \wedge (q \vee r) = (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$$

for any  $p, q, r \in L$ .

### Definition 3

An **ortholattice** (also called an orthocomplemented lattice) is a bounded lattice equipped with an orthocomplementation. An orthocomplementation on a bounded lattice  $(L, \wedge, \vee)$  is a function  $\neg : L \rightarrow L$  such that

- 1  $p \wedge \neg p = \perp$  and  $p \vee \neg p = \top$ ,
- 2  $\neg \neg p = p$ ,
- 3  $\neg(p \wedge q) = \neg p \vee \neg q$  and  $\neg(p \vee q) = \neg p \wedge \neg q$ ,

for any  $p, q \in L$ . In particular, distributive ortholattices are called **Boolean lattices**.

### Definition 4

An **orthomodular lattice** is an ortholattice  $(L, \wedge, \vee, \neg)$  satisfying the orthomodular law:

$$p \vee q = p \vee (\neg p \wedge (p \vee q)),$$

for any  $p, q \in L$

## Definition 5

Let  $\mathcal{L}_1 = (L_1, \wedge_1, \vee_1, \neg_1)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_2 = (L_2, \wedge_2, \vee_2, \neg_2)$  be ortholattices. Then,

$$\mathcal{L}_1 \times \mathcal{L}_2 = (L_1 \times L_2, \wedge, \vee, \neg)$$

defined by

$$(p_1, p_2) \wedge (q_1, q_2) = (p_1 \wedge_1 q_1, q_1 \wedge_2 q_2),$$

$$(p_1, p_2) \vee (q_1, q_2) = (p_1 \vee_1 q_1, q_1 \vee_2 q_2),$$

$$\neg(p_1, p_2) = (\neg_1 p_1, \neg_2 p_2)$$

is an ortholattice and is called the **direct product** of  $\mathcal{L}_1$  and  $\mathcal{L}_2$ .

## Definition 6

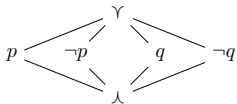
Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a non-empty class of algebras. An algebra  $F_X \in \mathcal{C}$  is called a **free algebra** in  $\mathcal{C}$  generated by  $X$ , if  $F_X$  is generated by  $X \subseteq F_X$  and every function  $V : X \rightarrow A \in \mathcal{C}$  can be uniquely extended to a homomorphism  $\hat{V} : F_X \rightarrow A$ .

- We use two fundamental theorems for orthomodular lattices to implement a support tool.
- The first fundamental theorem states that there are only 96 normal forms in the free orthomodular lattice with two generators.

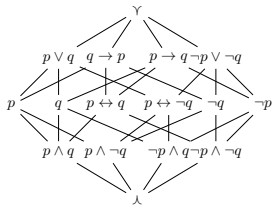
## Theorem 1

$MO_2 \times \mathbf{2}^4$  is isomorphic to the free orthomodular lattice with two generators, where  $MO_2$  is a kind of lattice called the Chinese lantern, and  $\mathbf{2}^4$  is a free Boolean lattice with two generators.

Proof: see [Beran, 1985, Theorem III.2.8].



Chinese lantern



Free Boolean lattice with two generators  $p$  and  $q$

- The second fundamental theorem tells us when the distributive law can be applied in orthomodular lattice.  
(This is a new theorem proposed in this paper.)

## Theorem 2

Let  $(L, \wedge, \vee, \neg)$  be an orthomodular lattice. Then, the following are equivalent:

- 1  $p \wedge (q \vee r) = (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$ ;
- 2  $p \wedge (\neg p \vee q) = p \wedge q$ .

Dually, the following are also equivalent:

- 1  $p \vee (q \wedge r) = (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$ ;
- 2  $p \vee (\neg p \wedge q) = p \vee q$ .

Proof: see our paper.

# The Role of The Fundamental Theorems

- By Theorem 1, the word problem for free orthomodular lattices with  $n \leq 2$  generators is solvable. That is, there are only 96 normal forms (the elements of  $MO_2 \times \mathbf{2}^4$  is  $6 \times 2^4 = 96$ .
  - Note that if  $p$  and  $q$  are normal forms, then  $\neg p$ ,  $\neg q$ ,  $p \wedge q$ , and  $p \vee q$  are also normal forms.
- By Theorem 2, some terms with three or more variables are simplified using the distributive law under some condition.

# 96 Normal Forms

$(p \wedge q), (p \wedge \neg q), (\neg p \wedge q), (\neg p \wedge \neg q), ((p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge \neg q)), ((p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge q)), ((p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)), ((p \wedge \neg q) \vee (\neg p \wedge q)), ((\neg p \wedge \neg q) \vee (p \wedge \neg q)), ((\neg p \wedge \neg q) \vee (\neg p \wedge q)), ((p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge \neg q) \vee (\neg p \wedge q)), ((p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge \neg q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)), ((\neg p \wedge \neg q) \vee (\neg p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge q)), ((\neg p \wedge \neg q) \vee (\neg p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge \neg q)), ((p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge \neg q) \vee (\neg p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)), (p \wedge (\neg p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg q)), (p \wedge (\neg p \vee q)), (p \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg q)), ((\neg p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg q) \wedge (\neg p \vee q))), ((\neg p \wedge \neg q) \vee (p \wedge (\neg p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg q))), (p), ((\neg p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee (\neg p \wedge q))), ((\neg p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q))), ((\neg p \vee \neg q) \wedge (p \vee (\neg p \wedge q))), ((\neg p \vee \neg q) \wedge (p \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q))), (p \vee (\neg p \wedge q)), (p \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)), ((\neg p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q) \vee (\neg p \wedge q))), ((\neg p \vee \neg q) \wedge (p \vee (\neg p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q))), (p \vee (\neg p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)), (q \wedge (\neg q \vee p) \wedge (\neg q \vee \neg p)), (q \wedge (\neg q \vee p)), ((p \wedge \neg q) \vee (q \wedge (\neg q \vee \neg p) \wedge (\neg q \vee p))), (q \wedge (\neg q \vee \neg p)), ((\neg p \wedge \neg q) \vee (q \wedge (\neg q \vee p) \wedge (\neg q \vee \neg p))), ((p \vee \neg q) \wedge (q \vee (\neg q \wedge p))), (q), ((p \vee \neg q) \wedge (q \vee (\neg q \wedge \neg p))), ((\neg p \vee \neg q) \wedge (q \vee (\neg q \wedge p))), ((\neg p \vee \neg q) \wedge (p \vee \neg q) \wedge (q \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q) \vee (p \wedge \neg q))), ((\neg p \vee \neg q) \wedge (q \vee (\neg q \wedge \neg p))), (q \vee (\neg q \wedge p)), ((p \vee \neg q) \wedge (q \vee (\neg q \wedge \neg p) \vee (\neg q \wedge p))), (q \vee (\neg q \wedge \neg p)), ((\neg p \vee \neg q) \wedge (q \vee (\neg q \wedge p) \vee (\neg q \wedge \neg p))), (q \vee (\neg q \wedge p) \vee (\neg q \wedge \neg p)), (\neg q \wedge (q \vee \neg p) \wedge (q \vee p)), ((p \wedge q) \vee (\neg q \wedge (q \vee \neg p) \wedge (q \vee p))), (\neg q \wedge (q \vee p)), ((\neg p \wedge q) \vee (\neg q \wedge (q \vee p) \wedge (q \vee \neg p))), (\neg q \wedge (q \vee \neg p)), ((p \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee (q \wedge p))), ((p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee (p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge q))), ((\neg p \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee (q \wedge p))), ((p \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee (q \wedge \neg p))), (\neg q), ((\neg p \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee (q \wedge \neg p))), ((p \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee (q \wedge \neg p) \vee (q \wedge p))), (\neg q \vee (q \wedge p)), ((\neg p \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee (q \wedge \neg p) \vee (q \wedge p))), (\neg q \vee (q \wedge \neg p)), (\neg q \vee (q \wedge \neg p) \vee (q \wedge p)), (\neg p \wedge (p \vee \neg q) \wedge (p \vee q)), ((p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge (p \vee \neg q) \wedge (p \vee q))), ((p \wedge \neg q) \vee (\neg p \wedge (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee \neg q))), (\neg p \wedge (p \vee q)), (\neg p \wedge (p \vee \neg q)), ((p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee \neg q) \wedge (\neg p \vee (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge \neg q))), ((p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee (p \wedge q))), ((p \vee \neg q) \wedge (\neg p \vee (p \wedge q))), ((p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee (p \wedge \neg q) \vee (p \wedge q))), ((p \vee \neg q) \wedge (\neg p \vee (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge \neg q))), (\neg p \vee (p \wedge q)), (\neg p \vee (p \wedge \neg q)), (\neg p \vee (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge \neg q)), ((p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee \neg q) \wedge (\neg p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg q)), ((p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee \neg q) \wedge (\neg p \vee q)), ((p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee \neg q) \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg q)), ((\neg p \vee \neg q) \wedge (\neg p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee q)), ((\neg p \vee \neg q) \wedge (\neg p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee \neg q)), ((p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee \neg q)), ((p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee q)), ((\neg p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee \neg q)), ((p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee \neg q)), ((\neg p \vee \neg q) \wedge (p \vee \neg q)), ((\neg p \vee \neg q) \wedge (\neg p \vee q)), (p \vee q), (p \vee \neg q), (\neg p \vee q), (\neg p \vee \neg q), (\Upsilon).$

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# Implication Algebra

- We apply the support tool to show that some axioms with three free variables in several implication algebras [Abbott, 1976, Georgacarakos, 1980, Hardegree, 1981, Chajda et al., 2001] are valid.
- Before that, we briefly explain what implication algebras are.
  - In Boolean lattices, the only implication is  $p \rightarrow q = \neg p \vee q$ .
  - However, in orthomodular lattices, there are distinct implications defined as follows:

$$p \rightsquigarrow q = \neg p \vee (p \wedge q), \quad p \rightsquigarrow q = (\neg p \wedge \neg q) \vee q,$$

$$p \twoheadrightarrow q = ((p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge q)) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q).$$

- **Implication algebra:** algebra which only operator is the implication (and  $\wedge$ ).
- Some implication algebras for orthomodular lattices have been proposed:
  - 1 Quasi-implication algebra [Hardegree, 1981]
  - 2 Ortho-implication algebra [Abbott, 1976]
  - 3 Orthomodular implication algebra [Chajda et al., 2001]
  - 4 Sasaki implication algebra [Georgacarakos, 1980]
  - 5 Dishkant implication algebra [Georgacarakos, 1980]
  - 6 Relevance implication algebra [Georgacarakos, 1980]

# Axioms in Implication Algebra

- The axiom (Q2) of quasi-implication algebra [Hardegree, 1981]:

$$(p \rightsquigarrow q) \rightsquigarrow (p \rightsquigarrow r) = (q \rightsquigarrow p) \rightsquigarrow (q \rightsquigarrow r).$$

- The axiom (O2) of ortho-implication algebra [Abbott, 1976]:

$$p \rightarrow ((q \rightarrow p) \rightarrow r) = p \rightarrow r.$$

- The axiom (O5) of orthomodular implication algebra [Chajda et al., 2001]:

$$(((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow q) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r) = \top$$

- The axiom (O6) of orthomodular implication algebra [Chajda et al., 2001]:

$$\begin{aligned} & (((((((((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow q) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow p) \rightarrow p) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow p) \rightarrow p) \rightarrow p \\ & = (((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow q) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r \end{aligned}$$

- The axiom (J4) of Sasaki implication algebra [Georgacarakos, 1980]:

$$\begin{aligned} & p \rightsquigarrow ((p \rightsquigarrow ((q \rightsquigarrow ((q \rightsquigarrow r) \rightsquigarrow \perp)) \rightsquigarrow \perp)) \rightsquigarrow \perp) \\ & = r \rightsquigarrow ((r \rightsquigarrow ((p \rightsquigarrow ((p \rightsquigarrow q) \rightsquigarrow \perp)) \rightsquigarrow \perp)) \rightsquigarrow \perp). \end{aligned}$$

- The axiom (K5) of Dishkant implication algebra [Georgacarakos, 1980]:

$$(((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow q) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r = (p \rightarrow ((q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r)) \rightarrow ((q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r).$$

- The axiom (L6) of relevance implication algebra [Georgacarakos, 1980]:

$$(((p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow q) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r = (p \rightarrow ((q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r)) \rightarrow ((q \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r).$$

# Experimental Result

- The axioms are verified by our tool automatically.
- Our tool is publicly available at <https://github.com/canhminhdo/FOM>.

<b>Target Axiom</b>	<b>Time</b>
The axiom (Q2) in [Hardegree, 1981]	1,213ms
The axiom (O2) in [Abbott, 1976]	736ms
The axiom (O5) in [Chajda et al., 2001]	705ms
The axiom (O6) in [Chajda et al., 2001]	716ms
The axiom (J4) in [Georgacarakos, 1980]	715ms
The axiom (K5) in [Georgacarakos, 1980]	723ms
The axiom (L6) in [Georgacarakos, 1980]	6d:19h:40m

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- Using a reachability analysis, we have described how to develop the support tool for checking the word problem with three or more generators for free orthomodular lattices.
- The existing tools [Megill and Pavičić, 2001, Hyčko, 2005] cannot deal with terms that consist of three or more free variables.
- We have conducted some case studies with the support tool to verify various complex axioms that existing tools cannot verify.

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