

# On varieties of residuated po-magmas and the structure of finite ipo-semilattices

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In [6] *po-algebras* are defined as partially ordered sets with operations that are either order-preserving or order-reversing in each argument, and a variety of po-algebras is a class of similar po-algebras defined by equations or inequations.

A *residuated partially ordered magma* or *rpo-magma*  $\mathbf{A} = (A, \leq, \cdot, \backslash, /)$  is a partially-ordered set  $(A, \leq)$  with a binary operation  $\cdot$  and two *residuals* that satisfy for all  $x, y, z \in A$

$$\text{(res)} \quad xy \leq z \iff x \leq z/y \iff y \leq x \backslash z$$

The operation  $x \cdot y$  is usually written  $xy$ . Residuation ensures that  $x \backslash y$  and  $y/x$  are order-reversing in the denominator ( $x$  position) and order-preserving in the numerator, while  $xy$  is order-preserving in both arguments. Since (res) is equivalent to the inequations  $x \leq xy/y$ ,  $(z/y)y \leq z$ ,  $y \leq x \backslash xy$ ,  $x(x \backslash z) \leq z$  it follows that rpo-magmas are a variety of po-algebras. Although rpo-magmas are very general, (res) imposes restrictions on the posets that can occur.

**Theorem 1.** *In an rpo-magma every connected component of  $\leq$  is up-directed and down-directed, hence for finite rpo-magmas every connected component is bounded.*

The equivalence relation on a poset that has each connected component as an equivalence class is a congruence on a rpo-magma, and the quotient algebra is a quasigroup with the discrete order (i.e.  $\leq$  is the equality relation). Conversely, from any quasigroup  $Q$  and a pairwise disjoint family of *bounded* posets  $A_q$  for  $q \in Q$ , one can construct an rpo-magma with poset  $\bigcup_{q \in Q} A_q$ .

A *rpo-semigroup* or *Lambek algebra* is a rpo-magma where  $\cdot$  is associative. A *unital* rpo-magma has a constant 1 such that  $x1 = x = 1x$ , and a *rpo-monoid* is a unital rpo-semigroup. A *residuated lattice-ordered magma*  $(A, \wedge, \vee, \cdot, \backslash, /)$  (or *rl-magma* for short) is a rpo-magma for which the partial order is a lattice order. A *rl-monoid* is more commonly called a *residuated lattice*.

An *involution partially-ordered magma* or *ipo-magma* is of the form  $(A, \leq, \cdot, \sim, -)$  such that  $(A, \leq)$  is a poset,  $\cdot$  is a binary operation, the *left and right linear negations*  $\sim, -$  are an *involution pair*, i.e.,  $\sim -x = x = -\sim x$ ,  $x \leq \sim y \iff y \leq -x$ , and for all  $x, y, z \in A$

$$\text{(ires)} \quad xy \leq z \iff x \leq -(y \cdot \sim z) \iff y \leq \sim(-z \cdot x).$$

It follows that  $\sim, -$  are both order-reversing. The axiom (ires) shows that every ipo-magma is term-equivalent to a rpo-magma, but it is often convenient to use the equivalent formulation

$$\text{(rotate)} \quad xy \leq z \iff y \cdot \sim z \leq \sim x \iff -z \cdot x \leq -y.$$

The variety of ipo-monoids includes all partially ordered groups [1], where  $\sim x = -x = x^{-1}$ .

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $\mathbf{A} = (A, \leq, \cdot, \sim, -)$  be a poset with a binary and two unary operations. (1) If  $\cdot$  is idempotent (i.e.  $xx = x$ ) and  $\mathbf{A}$  satisfies (rotate) then  $\mathbf{A}$  is an ipo-magma. (2) If an ipo-magma is idempotent or unital, and  $\cdot$  is commutative then  $\sim x = -x$ .*

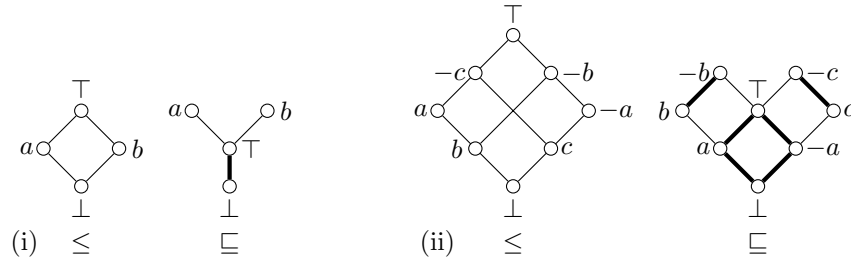


Figure 1: (i) The smallest  $il$ -semilattice that is not unital, and (ii) the smallest ipo-semilattice that is not lattice-ordered. Note that  $-\top = \perp$ .

In a commutative idempotent ipo-semigroup there is another semilattice order, called the *multiplicative order*, that is defined by  $x \sqsubseteq y \iff xy = x$ , and these po-algebras are called *ipo-semilattices*. The most prominent examples of ipo-semilattices are Boolean algebras  $(A, \cdot, +, -)$ , where  $x + y = -(x \cdot y)$ . They arise as the case when the partial order  $\leq$  and the semilattice order  $\sqsubseteq$  coincide. More generally, ipo-semilattices are determined by the two relations  $\leq$ ,  $\sqsubseteq$  and the involution  $-$  (see e.g. Figure 1).

Note that an element  $t$  in an ipo-semilattice is the multiplicative identity if and only if  $t$  is the top element in the multiplicative order, hence an ipo-semilattice is unital if and only if the multiplicative order has a top element.

We give a description of the structure of finite  $il$ -semilattices, and provide some partial structural results for finite ipo-semilattices. For finite commutative idempotent involutive residuated lattices (i.e. unital  $il$ -semilattices) a structural description has been given in [4]. We present a more global approach for ipo-semilattices based on Plonka sums of Boolean algebras. Similar methods have been used in [3] to describe the structure of odd and of even involutive  $FL_e$ -chains. Inspired by the duality for involutive bisemilattices [2], we also give a more compact dual description of finite ipo-semilattices based on semilattice direct systems of partial maps between sets. We present an algorithm to construct finite ipo-semilattices from their dual description, and an algorithm to enumerate the dual objects up to isomorphism. Some of our investigations were aided by computations using Prover9 and Mace4 [5].

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