

Ideals in a Boolean Algebra with Transfinite Chain Condition.

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Let L be a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra, and \mathcal{Q} be an ordinal number. A subset $S = (a_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q})$ of L is called an ascending or descending system according as $a_\alpha < a_\beta$ or $a_\alpha > a_\beta$ for all $\alpha < \beta < \mathcal{Q}$. If, for every ascending and descending system S , the power of S is $< \aleph$, then we say that L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition. Let \mathfrak{a} be an \aleph -ideal in L , and L/\mathfrak{a} denote the set of all equivalence classes with respect to \mathfrak{a} . When L/\mathfrak{a} satisfies the \aleph -chain condition, we say that L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition relative to \mathfrak{a} , and \mathfrak{a} is called a basic \aleph -ideal of the \aleph -chain condition. I shall prove that L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition relative to \mathfrak{a} if, and only if, L satisfies the following condition:

For every $T \subset L$ such that (i) $a \in T$ implies $a \notin \mathfrak{a}$, (ii) $a, b \in T$, $a \neq b$ implies $a \wedge b \in \mathfrak{a}$, the power of T is $< \aleph$.

I find also that class \mathfrak{P}_\aleph of all basic \aleph -ideals of the \aleph -chain condition in L is a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra, and class \mathcal{Q}_\aleph^* of all dual \aleph -ideals in \mathfrak{P}_\aleph is a continuous Boolean algebra.

Next I apply this result to class \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} of all measure functions defined in an \aleph_1 -Boolean algebra L . Let \mathfrak{a}_ϕ be the class of all a such that $\phi(a) = 0$. Then \mathfrak{a}_ϕ is a basic \aleph_1 -ideal of the \aleph_1 -chain condition in L . I shall prove that class \mathcal{Q}_{\aleph_1} of all $\mathfrak{a}_\phi (\phi \in \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1})$ is a dual \aleph_1 -ideal in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} , and therefore \mathcal{Q}_{\aleph_1} is a generalized \aleph_1 -Boolean algebra, and class $\mathcal{P}_{\aleph_1}^*$ of all dual \aleph_1 -ideals in \mathcal{Q}_{\aleph_1} is a continuous Boolean algebra. We shall write $\psi < \phi$, when $\psi(a)$ is absolutely continuous with respect to $\phi(a)$, that is, $\psi(a) = 0$ for all a such that $\phi(a) = 0$. Then $\psi < \phi$ when, and only when, $\mathfrak{a}_\psi \supset \mathfrak{a}_\phi$. Hence \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} is dual-isomorphic to \mathcal{Q}_{\aleph_1} . Therefore \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} is a generalized \aleph_1 -Boolean algebra, and the class \mathcal{P}_{\aleph_1} of all \aleph_1 -ideals in \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} is a continuous Boolean algebra.

Lastly I shall investigate the application to the spectral theory of the complete complex Euclidean space \mathfrak{E} . If a family of projections $E(a)$ is defined for all a in an \aleph_1 -Boolean algebra L , such that

- (a) $E(a)E(b) = 0$ when $a \wedge b = 0$,
- (b) $E(a) = E(a_1) + E(a_2) + \cdots + E(a_i) + \cdots$ when $a = \sum_i \oplus a_i$,
- (c) $E(1) = 1$;

then we say that $E(a)$ is a resolution of identity in the generalized sense. Let \mathfrak{a}_f be the class of all a such that $E(a)f = 0$. Then \mathfrak{a}_f is a basic \aleph_1 -ideal

of the \aleph_1 -chain condition in L . I shall prove that class \mathfrak{R}_E of all $\alpha_f(f \in \mathfrak{F})$ is a dual \aleph -ideal in \mathfrak{B}_{\aleph_1} , and therefore \mathfrak{R}_E is a generalized \aleph_1 -Boolean algebra, and class θ_E^* of all dual \aleph -ideals in \mathfrak{R}_E is a continuous Boolean algebra. Next I shall obtain a resolution of identity $F(\mathfrak{U}^*)$ defined for all $\mathfrak{U}^* \in \theta_E^*$, which, we may say, is an extension of $E(a)$ in the domain of definition. $F(\mathfrak{U}^*)$ corresponds to the resolution of identity defined by F. Wecken in his remarkable paper, which appeared recently.⁽¹⁾

General Properties of \aleph -Ideals in a Generalized \aleph -Boolean Algebra.⁽²⁾

1. Let us consider *generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra* L with elements a, b, c, \dots , \aleph being a transfinite cardinal number, that is, L satisfies the following axioms (I)-(IV):

(I) L is a *partially ordered set*; that is, in L a relation of inclusion $a \supset b$ is defined, such that

- (i) $a \supset a$;
- (ii) $a \supset b, b \supset c$ implies $a \supset c$.

We define equality $a = b$ in L as the simultaneous existence of the relations $a \supset b, a \subset b$. We write $a > b$, when $a \supset b$ but $a \neq b$.

(II) L is an \aleph -*lattice*; that is,

For every subset S of L of power $< \aleph$, there is an element $\sum(S)$ in L which is a least upper bound or join of S , i.e.

- (i) $\sum(S) \supset a$ for every $a \in S$,
- (ii) $c \supset a$ for every $a \in S$ implies $c \supset \sum(S)$.

For every subset S of L of power $< \aleph$, there is an element $\Pi(S)$ in L which is a greatest lower bound or meet of S , i.e.

- (i) $\Pi(S) \subset a$ for every $a \in S$,
- (ii) $c \subset a$ for every $a \in S$ implies $c \subset \Pi(S)$.

When $S = (a, b)$, we write $\sum(S) = a \vee b$, $\Pi(S) = a \wedge b$. If $\aleph > \text{power of } L$, then L is called a *continuous lattice*.

(III) L is *complemented* in the generalized sense; that is,

For any three elements a, b, c such that $a \subset b \subset c$, there exists an element x such that

$$b \vee x = c, \quad b \wedge x = a.$$

(IV) L is *distributive* in the generalized sense; that is,

For every subset S of L of power $< \aleph$ and every $b \in L$

(1) Cf. W. Wecken [1]. The numbers in square brackets refer to the list given at the end of this paper.

(2) M. H. Stone has investigated the properties of \aleph_0 -ideals in a generalized \aleph_0 -Boolean algebra with zero element. (Cf. M. H. Stone [1]). These investigations can be applied in our general case. In the present paper only a few properties are mentioned, which are necessary to what follows.

$$\begin{aligned}\sum(S) \wedge b &= \sum(a \wedge b; a \in S), \\ \Pi(S) \vee b &= \Pi(a \vee b; a \in S).\end{aligned}$$

It should be observed that in the axioms given above, the existence of zero element 0 and unit element 1 is not assumed. If the existence of these elements is assumed, then the \aleph -lattice satisfying (III) and (IV) is equivalent to the \aleph -lattice satisfying the following axioms (III') and (IV').⁽¹⁾

(III') For any element a , there exists an element x such that

$$a \vee x = 1, \quad a \wedge x = 0.$$

x is called the inverse of a , and is often denoted by a' .

(IV') For all elements a, b, c in L

$$\begin{aligned}(a \vee b) \wedge c &= (a \wedge c) \vee (b \wedge c), \\ (a \wedge b) \vee c &= (a \vee c) \wedge (b \vee c).\end{aligned}$$

For the sake of simplicity we shall call the \aleph -lattice with zero and unit elements satisfying (III') and (IV') an \aleph -Boolean algebra.

It is also to be noted that, in axioms (I)–(IV), the duality holds good interchanging \subset, \sum, \vee by \supset, Π, \wedge .

2. DEFINITION 2.1. In a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L , if a subset α of L satisfies the following properties, then α is said to be an \aleph -ideal in L :

- (i) if $S \subseteq \alpha$ and power of $S < \aleph$, then $\sum(S) \in \alpha$,
- (ii) if $a \in \alpha$ and $b \in L$, then $a \wedge b \in \alpha$.

(Condition (ii) is equivalent to: "if $a \in \alpha$, $c \in L$, $c \subset a$, then $c \in \alpha$ ".)

DEFINITION 2.1.*⁽²⁾ Dually, we can define a *dual \aleph -ideal* α^* in a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L by the following properties:

- (i*) if $S \subseteq \alpha^*$ and power of $S < \aleph$, then $\Pi(S) \in \alpha^*$,
- (ii*) if $a \in \alpha^*$ and $b \in L$, then $a \vee b \in \alpha^*$.

(Condition (ii*) is equivalent to: "if $a \in \alpha^*$, $c \in L$, $c \supset a$, then $c \in \alpha^*$ ".)

It is evident that class $\alpha(a)$ of all elements $b \in L$, such that $b \subset a$, is an \aleph -ideal in L .

DEFINITION 2.2. We say that $\alpha(a)$ is a *principal \aleph -ideal* in L .

Dually, we denote by $\alpha^*(a)$ the class of all elements $b \in L$ such that $b \supset a$.

DEFINITION 2.2.* We say that $\alpha^*(a)$ is a *principal dual \aleph -ideal* in L .

THEOREM 2.1. Class \mathfrak{J} of all \aleph -ideals in a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L is a lattice, closed with respect to the join of any subset of \mathfrak{J} and to the meet of subsets of \mathfrak{J} of power $< \aleph$. For every subset $\mathfrak{S} = (\alpha_a; a \in I)$ of \mathfrak{J} , I being the set of indices, the join $\sum(\mathfrak{S})$ consists of those

(1) Cf. J. v. Neumann [1], 6; [2], 7.

(2) * means the dual relation.

elements such that $c = \sum(a_a; a_a \in \mathfrak{a}_a, a \in I_1)$ where I_1 is a subclass of I of power $< \aleph$. And for every subset $\mathfrak{C} = (a_a; a \in I)$ of \mathfrak{F} of power $< \aleph$, the meet $\Pi(\mathfrak{C})$ consists of those elements such that $c = \Pi(a_a; a_a \in \mathfrak{a}_a, a \in I)$.

\mathfrak{F} satisfies the following distributive laws:

$$a \wedge \sum(\mathfrak{C}) = \sum(a \wedge a_a; a \in I)$$

for every subset $\mathfrak{C} = (a_a; a \in I)$ of \mathfrak{F} , and

$$a \vee \Pi(\mathfrak{C}) = \Pi(a \vee a_a; a \in I)$$

for every subset $\mathfrak{C} = (a_a; a \in I)$ of power $< \aleph$.

\mathfrak{F} has the unit element e , which is L itself.

Especially when L has zero element 0 , \mathfrak{F} has zero element o which consists of 0 alone, and \mathfrak{F} is closed with respect to the meet of any subset of \mathfrak{F} .

PROOF. Since the following dual Theorem 2.1* is not familiar, I shall prove it. The present theorem can be proved as Theorem 2.1* with slight modifications.

THEOREM 2.1.* Class \mathfrak{F}^* of all dual \aleph -ideals in a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L is a lattice, closed with respect to the join of any subset of \mathfrak{F}^* and to the meet of subsets of \mathfrak{F}^* of power $< \aleph$. For every subset $\mathfrak{C}^* = (a_a^*; a \in I)$ of \mathfrak{F}^* , I being the set of indices, the join $\sum(\mathfrak{C}^*)$ consists of those elements such that $c = \Pi(a_a; a_a \in \mathfrak{a}_a^*, a \in I_1)$ where I_1 is a subclass of I of power $< \aleph$. And for every subset $\mathfrak{C}^* = (a_a^*; a \in I)$ of \mathfrak{F}^* of power $< \aleph$, the meet $\Pi(\mathfrak{C}^*)$ consists of those elements such that $c = \sum(a_a; a_a \in \mathfrak{a}_a^*, a \in I)$.

\mathfrak{F}^* satisfies the following distributive laws:

$$a^* \wedge \sum(\mathfrak{C}^*) = \sum(a^* \wedge a_a^*; a \in I)$$

for every subset $\mathfrak{C}^* = (a_a^*; a \in I)$ of \mathfrak{F}^* , and

$$a^* \vee \Pi(\mathfrak{C}^*) = \Pi(a^* \vee a_a^*; a \in I)$$

for every subset $\mathfrak{C}^* = (a_a^*; a \in I)$ of \mathfrak{F}^* of power $< \aleph$.

\mathfrak{F}^* has unit element e^* , which is L itself.

Especially when L has unit element 1 , \mathfrak{F}^* has zero element o^* which consists of 1 alone, and \mathfrak{F}^* is closed with respect to the meet of any subset of \mathfrak{F}^* .

PROOF. (i) Let $\mathfrak{C}^* = (a_a^*; a \in I)$ be any subset of \mathfrak{F}^* , and c^* be the class of all elements $c = \Pi(a_a; a_a \in \mathfrak{a}_a^*, a \in I_1)$ where I_1 is a subclass of I of power $< \aleph$. And let S^* be any subset of c^* of power $< \aleph$; then, since all a_a^* are dual \aleph -ideals, $\Pi(S^*)$ can be written in the form $\Pi(S^*) = \Pi(b_a; b_a \in \mathfrak{a}_a^*, a \in I_2)$, where I_2 is a subclass of I of power $< \aleph$. That is, $\Pi(S^*) \in c^*$.

Let d be any element of L and $c \in c^*$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} d \vee c &= d \vee \Pi(a_a; a_a \in \mathfrak{a}_a^*, a \in I_1) \\ &= \Pi(d \vee a_a; a_a \in \mathfrak{a}_a^*, a \in I_1) \in c^* \end{aligned}$$

(1) By Axiom (IV) of Sec. 1.

since $d \vee a_a \in a_a^*$. Hence c^* is a dual \aleph -ideal. Since c^* is the smallest dual \aleph -ideal which contains all a^* in \mathfrak{S}^* , we have

$$c^* = \sum(\mathfrak{S}^*).$$

(ii) Next let $\mathfrak{S}^* = (a_a^*; a \in I)$ be any subset of \mathfrak{S}^* of power $< \aleph$. The intersection of all these a_a^* in \mathfrak{S}^* consists of those elements c such that $c = \sum(a_a; a_a \in a_a^*, a \in I)$. For any such element is common to all a_a^* of \mathfrak{S}^* , and if c is common to all a_a^* of \mathfrak{S}^* , then c is written in the form above, where $a_a = c$ for all $a \in I$. And this intersection is the required meet $\Pi(\mathfrak{S}^*)$. Especially when L has unit element 1, the intersection of any subset of \mathfrak{S}^* is non-void, and is the meet $\Pi(\mathfrak{S}^*)$.

(iii) Let $\mathfrak{S}^* = (a_a^*; a \in I)$ be any subset of \mathfrak{S}^* . Since

$$a^* \wedge \sum(\mathfrak{S}^*) \supset a^* \wedge a_a^* \quad \text{for all } a \in I,$$

we have

$$a^* \wedge \sum(\mathfrak{S}^*) \supset \sum(a^* \wedge a_a^*; a \in I).$$

Next, by (i) and (ii), any element c in $a^* \wedge \sum(\mathfrak{S}^*)$ is expressible in the form $c = a \vee \Pi(b_a; b_a \in a_a^*, a \in I_1)$, where $a \in a^*$ and I_1 is a subclass of I of power $< \aleph$. But, by Axiom (IV) of Sec. 1,

$$c = \Pi(a \vee b_a; b_a \in a_a^*, a \in I_1).$$

Since $a \vee b_a \in a^* \wedge a_a^*$, we have $c \in \sum(a^* \wedge a_a^*; a \in I_1)$. Therefore

$$a^* \wedge \sum(\mathfrak{S}^*) \subset \sum(a^* \wedge a_a^*; a \in I).$$

Consequently

$$a^* \wedge \sum(\mathfrak{S}^*) = \sum(a^* \wedge a_a^*; a \in I).$$

(iv) As in (iii), we can prove that

$$a^* \vee \Pi(\mathfrak{S}^*) = \Pi(a^* \vee a_a^*; a \in I)$$

for any subset $\mathfrak{S}^* = (a_a^*; a \in I)$ of \mathfrak{S}^* of power $< \aleph$.

THEOREM 2.2. *Class \mathfrak{P} of all principal \aleph -ideals in a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L is isomorphic to L in accordance with the following relations:*

(i) $a(a) = a(b)$ if, and only if, $a = b$,

(ii) $a(\sum(S)) = \sum(a(a); a \in S)$,

(iii) $a(\Pi(S)) = \Pi(a(a); a \in S)$,

where S is any subset of L with power $< \aleph$. Hence \mathfrak{P} is also a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra.

PROOF. (i) $a = b$ obviously implies $a(a) = a(b)$; and $a(a) = a(b)$ implies $a \subset b$, $b \subset a$, and hence $a = b$.

(ii) Since $\sum(S) \supset a$ for all $a \in S$, $a(\sum(S)) \supset \sum(a(a); a \in S)$. Next, by Theorem 2.1, $\sum(S) \in \sum(a(a); a \in S)$; hence $a(\sum(S)) \subset \sum(a(a); a \in S)$.

(iii) Similarly to (ii).

THEOREM 2.2.* *Class \mathfrak{P}^* of all principal dual \aleph -ideals in a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L is dual-isomorphic to L in accordance with the following relations:*

- (i) $a^*(a) = a^*(b)$ if, and only if, $a = b$,
- (ii) $a^*(\sum(S)) = \Pi(a^*(a); a \in S)$,
- (iii) $a^*(\Pi(S)) = \sum(a^*(a); a \in S)$,

where S is any subset of L with power $< \aleph$. Hence \mathfrak{B}^* is also a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra.

PROOF. Cf. proof of Theorem 2.2.

THEOREM 2.3. In a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L with zero element 0, let a be an \aleph -ideal, and let a' be the class of all elements b such that

$$b \wedge a = 0 \quad \text{for all } a \in a.$$

Then a' is an \aleph -ideal in L , and

$$a \wedge a' = 0.$$

PROOF. This theorem can be proved as the following dual case.

THEOREM 2.3.* In a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L with unit element 1, let a^* be a dual \aleph -ideal, and let $a^{*'}$ be the class of all elements b such that

$$b \vee a = 1 \quad \text{for all } a \in a^*.$$

Then $a^{*'}$ is a dual \aleph -ideal in L and

$$a^* \wedge a^{*'} = 0^*.$$

PROOF. (i) Let S^* be any subset of $a^{*'}$ of power $< \aleph$. Then, by Axiom (IV) in Sec. 1,

$$\Pi(S^*) \vee a = \Pi(b \vee a; b \in S^*) = 1 \quad \text{for all } a \in a^*.$$

Hence $\Pi(S^*) \in a^{*'}$.

(ii) If $b \in a^{*'}$ and $c \supset b$, then $c \in a^{*'}$, since $c \vee a \supset b \vee a = 1$ for all $a \in a^*$.

From (i) and (ii), $a^{*'}$ is a dual \aleph -ideal in L .

(iii) By Theorem 2.1*, $a^* \wedge a^{*'}$ consists of those elements $a \vee b$ such that $a \in a^*$, $b \in a^{*'}$. Since $a \vee b = 1$ for all $a \in a^*$, $b \in a^{*'}$, we have

$$a^* \wedge a^{*' } = 0^*.$$

DEFINITION 2.3. The \aleph -ideal a' associated with an \aleph -ideal a in the manner indicated in Theorem 2.3 is called the *orthocomplement* of a .

DEFINITION 2.3.* The dual \aleph -ideal $a^{*'}$ associated with a dual \aleph -ideal a^* in the manner indicated in Theorem 2.3* is called the *dual orthocomplement* of a^* .

THEOREM 2.4. In a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L with zero element 0, if every \aleph -ideal contained in a principal \aleph -ideal is also principal, then class \mathfrak{J} of all \aleph -ideals in L is a continuous Boolean algebra.

PROOF. Cf. the following dual case.

THEOREM 2.4.* In a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L with unit element 1, if every dual \aleph -ideal contained in a principal dual \aleph -ideal is also principal, then class \mathfrak{J}^* of all dual \aleph -ideals in L is a continuous Boolean algebra.

PROOF. From Theorem 2.1*, \mathfrak{S}^* is a distributive continuous lattice, that is, \mathfrak{S}^* is a continuous lattice which satisfies Axiom (IV') in Sec. 1. Hence it is sufficient to show that \mathfrak{S}^* is complemented, that is, that \mathfrak{S}^* satisfies Axiom (III') in Sec. 1.

Let a^* be any element in \mathfrak{S}^* , and a^{**} be the dual orthocomplement of a^* . Then, by Theorem 2.3*,

$$a^* \wedge a^{**} = 0^*.$$

Next we shall prove that

$$a^* \vee a^{**} = e^*.$$

For this purpose, from Theorem 2.1*, it is sufficient to show that any element $c \in L$ is expressed in the form

$$c = a \wedge b \quad \text{where} \quad a \in a^*, \quad b \in a^{**}. \quad (1)$$

If $c \in a^{**}$, then

$$c = 1 \wedge c \quad \text{where} \quad 1 \in a^*, \quad c \in a^{**}.$$

If $c \notin a^{**}$, then there exists an element $a \in a^*$ such that $c \vee a \neq 1$.

Hence

$$a^*(c) \wedge a^* \neq 0^*.$$

Since $a^*(c) \wedge a^* \subset a^*(c)$, by assumption there exists an element $d \neq 1$ such that

$$a^*(c) \wedge a^* = a^*(d). \quad (2)$$

Let d_1 be such that

$$d \vee d_1 = 1, \quad d \wedge d_1 = c.$$

Then $d_1 \in a^{**}$. For if not, then, as above, there exists an element $f \neq 1$ such that

$$a^*(d_1) \wedge a^* = a^*(f). \quad (3)$$

Then $d_1 \subset f$, and $d \vee f = 1$. Hence

$$a^*(d) \wedge a^*(f) = 0^*. \quad (4)$$

Since $f \supset d_1 \supset c$, $a^*(f) \subset a^*(c)$. And by (3) $a^*(f) \subset a^*$. Hence by (2)

$$a^*(f) \subset a^*(c) \wedge a^* = a^*(d).$$

But this contradicts (4). Consequently

$$c = d \wedge d_1 \quad \text{where} \quad d \in a^*, \quad d_1 \in a^{**}.$$

Consequently (1) holds good for any $c \in L$. And the theorem is completely proved.

3. DEFINITION 3.1. If a is an \aleph -ideal in a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L , then a and b are *equivalent modulo a* ($a \sim b \pmod{a}$) when there exist $u, v \in a$ with $a \vee u = a \vee v$.⁽¹⁾

LEMMA 3.1. *The relation $a \sim b \pmod{a}$ is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.*

(1) We can define the equivalence modulo a^* ($a \sim b \pmod{a^*}$) when there exist $u, v \in a^*$ with $a \wedge u = b \wedge v$, and the set L/a^* of all equivalence classes. But I omit investigations into these dual properties. Cf. p. 20, footnote (3).

PROOF. Obviously $a \sim a \pmod{\alpha}$; and $a \sim b \pmod{\alpha}$ implies $b \sim a \pmod{\alpha}$. To prove the transitivity, let $a \sim b \pmod{\alpha}$, $b \sim c \pmod{\alpha}$ i.e., $a \vee u_1 = b \vee v_1$, $b \vee u_2 = c \vee v_2$, $u_1, v_1, u_2, v_2 \in \alpha$. Then

$$a \vee u_1 \vee u_2 = b \vee v_1 \vee u_2 = c \vee v_1 \vee v_2,$$

and $u_1 \vee u_2, v_1 \vee v_2 \in \alpha$. Therefore $a \sim c \pmod{\alpha}$.

DEFINITION 3.2. Let A_α be the set of all $x \in L$ with $x \sim a \pmod{\alpha}$. The system $(A_\alpha; \alpha \in L)$ is a mutually exclusive and exhaustive partition of L into equivalence classes. We denote the equivalence classes by A, B, C, \dots , and the set of all equivalence classes by L/α .

DEFINITION 3.3. $A \subset B$ means the existence of $a \in A$, $b \in B$ with $a \subset b$.

LEMMA 3.2. When $A \subset B$, for every $a \in A$, $b \in B$ there exists u such that $a \subset b \vee u$, $u \in \alpha$ and $b \vee u \in B$.

PROOF. Since $A \subset B$, there exist $a_1 \in A$, $b_1 \in B$ such that $a_1 \subset b_1$. Since $a \sim a_1 \pmod{\alpha}$, $b \sim b_1 \pmod{\alpha}$, there exist u_1, v_1, u_2, v_2 in α such that

$$a \vee u_1 = a_1 \vee v_1, \quad b \vee u_2 = b_1 \vee v_2.$$

Put $u = v_1 \vee u_2$; then, since $u \in \alpha$, $b \vee u \in B$; and

$$a \subset a_1 \vee v_1 \subset b_1 \vee v_1 \subset b \vee v_1 \vee u_2 = b \vee u.$$

THEOREM 3.1. When L is a generalized \aleph -Boolean Algebra, L/α is a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra with zero element.⁽¹⁾

PROOF. (i) To show that L/α is a partially ordered set, we need only to prove that $A \supset B$, $B \supset C$ imply $A \supset C$. By Lemma 3.2, since $A \supset B$, $B \supset C$, there exist $a \in A$, $b \in B$, $c \in C$ such that $a \supset b$, $b \supset c$. Hence $a \supset c$. Consequently, by Definition 3.3, $A \supset C$. It is evident that class α itself is zero element of L/α . (When L has unit element 1, then A_1 is unit element of L/α).

(ii) Next we shall show that L/α is an \aleph -lattice. Consider a subset \mathcal{S} of L/α with power $< \aleph$. For each $A \in \mathcal{S}$ select an element $a \in A$, and denote the set of these elements by S . Then, the power of $S < \aleph$, and $\mathcal{S} = (A_a; a \in S)$. Thus $\sum(S)$ and $\prod(S)$ exist, and for every $a \in S$, $\prod(S) \subset a \subset \sum(S)$, $A_{\prod(S)} \subset A_a \subset A_{\sum(S)}$.

Suppose now that $C = A_{a_0} \supset A_a$ for every $a \in S$. Then, by Lemma 3.2, there exists for each $a \in S$ an element $u_a \in \alpha$ with $a_0 \vee u_a \supset a$. Thus

$$a_0 \vee \sum(u_a; a \in S) \supset \sum(S).$$

Since α is an \aleph -ideal, it follows that $\sum(u_a; a \in S) \in \alpha$. Hence

$$C = A_{a_0} \supset A_{\sum(S)}.$$

Consequently

$$\sum(\mathcal{S}) = \sum(A_a; a \in S) = A_{\sum(S)}. \quad (1)$$

(1) J. v. Neumann has proved this theorem when L has zero and unit elements. Cf. J. v. Neumann [2], 10-11. Here I consider the general case, and the proof is somewhat simplified.

Next suppose that $C = A_{a_0} \subset A_a$ for every $a \in S$. Then, by Lemma 3.2, there exists for each $a \in S$ an element $v_a \in a$ with $a_0 \subset a \vee v_a$. Thus

$$a_0 \subset a \vee \sum(v_b; b \in S) \quad \text{for every } a \in S,$$

and consequently $a_0 \subset \Pi(a \vee \sum(v_b; b \in S); a \in S)$;

that is,

$$a_0 \subset \Pi(S) \vee \sum(v_b; b \in S)$$

by Axiom (IV) in Sec. 1. As before, $\sum(v_b; b \in S) \in a$, whence $A_{a_0} \subset A_{\Pi(S)}$.

Consequently $\Pi(\mathfrak{S}) = \Pi(A_a; a \in S) = A_{\Pi(S)}$. (2)

Thus L/a is an \aleph -lattice.

(iii) L/a is complemented in the generalized sense. For let A, B, C be such that $A \subset B \subset C$; then, by Lemma 3.2, there exist $a \in A, b \in B, c \in C$ such that $a \subset b \subset c$. Then, by Axiom (III) of Sec. 1, there exists an element x in L such that

$$b \vee x = c, \quad b \wedge x = a.$$

Hence, by (1) and (2),

$$A_b \vee A_x = A_c, \quad A_b \wedge A_x = A_a.$$

Thus there exists an element $X = A_x$ in L/a such that

$$B \vee X = C, \quad B \wedge X = A.$$

(iv) L/a is distributive in the generalized sense. To prove this, consider a subset \mathfrak{S} of L/a with power $< \aleph$. Then, as in (i), we have a subset S of L , the power of $S < \aleph$, and $\mathfrak{S} = (A_a; a \in S)$. And let $B = A_b$ be any element in L/a . Then, by Axiom (IV) in Sec. 1, and (1) and (2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum(\mathfrak{S}) \wedge B &= A_{\sum(S)} \wedge A_b = A_{\sum(S) \wedge b} = A_{\sum(a \wedge b; a \in S)} \\ &= \sum(A_{a \wedge b}; a \in S) = \sum(A_a \wedge B; a \in S). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we have $\Pi(\mathfrak{S}) \vee B = \Pi(A_a \vee B; a \in S)$.

THEOREM 3.2. *If \mathfrak{b} is an \aleph -ideal in a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L , then the image \mathfrak{B} of its elements under the homomorphism $L \rightarrow L/a$ constitutes an \aleph -ideal in L/a . And if \mathfrak{C} is an \aleph -ideal in L/a , then the class c of all elements of L with images in \mathfrak{C} is an \aleph -ideal in L .*

PROOF. (i) Let \mathfrak{S} be any subset of \mathfrak{B} with power $< \aleph$. Let \mathcal{Q} be the smallest ordinal corresponding to this power, and replace \mathfrak{S} by the system $(A^a; a < \mathcal{Q})$. Then there exist a_a in \mathfrak{b} such that $A_{a_a} = A^a$ for all $a < \mathcal{Q}$. By (1) in the proof of Theorem 3.1,

$$\sum(\mathfrak{S}) = \sum(A_{a_a}; a < \mathcal{Q}) = A_{\sum(a_a; a < \mathcal{Q})}.$$

Since $\sum(a_a; a < \mathcal{Q}) \in \mathfrak{b}$, $\sum(\mathfrak{S}) \in \mathfrak{B}$. Next, let $A \in \mathfrak{B}$, $B \in L/a$. Then there exist $a \in \mathfrak{b}$, $b \in L$ such that $A = A_a$, $B = A_b$. By (2) in the proof of Theorem 3.1, $A \wedge B = A_{a \wedge b}$. But, since $a \wedge b \in \mathfrak{b}$, $A \wedge B \in \mathfrak{B}$. Consequently \mathfrak{B} is an \aleph -ideal in L/a .

(ii) Let S be any subset of c with power $< \aleph$; and, as in (i), replace S by the system $(a_a; a < \mathcal{Q})$. Then $A_{a_a} \in \mathfrak{C}$ for all $a < \mathcal{Q}$. Hence

$\sum(A_{a_i}; a_i < \mathfrak{Q}) \in \mathfrak{C}$. Since $\sum(A_{a_i}; a_i < \mathfrak{Q}) = A_{\sum(a_i; a_i < \mathfrak{Q})}$, we have $\sum(a_i; a_i < \mathfrak{Q}) \in \mathfrak{c}$. Next, let $a \in \mathfrak{c}$, $b \in L$. Then, since $A_a \in \mathfrak{C}$, $A_b \in L/\mathfrak{a}$, $A_a \wedge A_b \in \mathfrak{C}$. Hence, since $A_a \wedge A_b = A_{a \wedge b}$, we have $a \wedge b \in \mathfrak{c}$. Thus \mathfrak{c} is an \aleph -ideal in L , as we wished to prove.

THEOREM 3.3. *Let $\mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{b}$ be \aleph -ideals in a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L such that $\mathfrak{a} \subset \mathfrak{b}$. And let \mathfrak{B} be the image of \mathfrak{b} under the homomorphism $L \rightarrow L/\mathfrak{a}$. Then L/\mathfrak{b} is isomorphic to $(L/\mathfrak{a})/\mathfrak{B}$ with respect to the join and the meet of subsets of power $< \aleph$.*

PROOF. We denote by A_a the set of all $x \in L$ with $x \sim a \pmod{\mathfrak{a}}$; and by \bar{A}_a the set of all $x \in L$ with $x \sim a \pmod{\mathfrak{b}}$, and by $\bar{\bar{A}}_A$ the set of all $B \in L/\mathfrak{a}$ with $B \sim A \pmod{\mathfrak{B}}$. Then $L/\mathfrak{a} = (A_a; a \in L)$, $L/\mathfrak{b} = (\bar{A}_a; a \in L)$, and $(L/\mathfrak{a})/\mathfrak{B} = (\bar{\bar{A}}_A; A \in L/\mathfrak{a})$.

(i) If $A_u \in \mathfrak{B}$, then $u \in \mathfrak{b}$.

For, since \mathfrak{B} is the image of \mathfrak{b} , there exists an element $u_0 \in \mathfrak{b}$, such that $A_u = A_{u_0}$. Then $u \sim u_0 \pmod{\mathfrak{a}}$. Hence $u \vee w = u_0 \vee w_0$ where $w, w_0 \in \mathfrak{a}$. Since $\mathfrak{a} \subset \mathfrak{b}$, $u \subset u_0 \vee w_0 \in \mathfrak{b}$. Therefore $u \in \mathfrak{b}$.

(ii) If $a \sim b \pmod{\mathfrak{b}}$, then $A_a \sim A_b \pmod{\mathfrak{B}}$.

For, since $a \vee u = b \vee v$ where $u, v \in \mathfrak{b}$, we have $A_{a \vee u} = A_{b \vee v}$, that is, $A_a \vee A_u = A_b \vee A_v$ ⁽¹⁾ and $A_u, A_v \in \mathfrak{B}$. Hence $A_a \sim A_b \pmod{\mathfrak{B}}$.

(iii) If $A_a \sim A_b \pmod{\mathfrak{B}}$, then $a \sim b \pmod{\mathfrak{b}}$.

For there exist $A_u, A_v \in \mathfrak{B}$ such that $A_a \vee A_u = A_b \vee A_v$. That is, $A_{a \vee u} = A_{b \vee v}$ ⁽¹⁾ and $a \vee u \sim b \vee v \pmod{\mathfrak{a}}$. That is $a \vee u \vee u_1 = b \vee v \vee v_1$ where $u_1, v_1 \in \mathfrak{a}$. Since, by (i), $u, v \in \mathfrak{b}$, and $\mathfrak{a} \subset \mathfrak{b}$, we have $u \vee u_1 \in \mathfrak{b}$, $v \vee v_1 \in \mathfrak{b}$. Therefore $a \sim b \pmod{\mathfrak{b}}$.

(iv) By (ii) and (iii) there exists one-to-one correspondence between the elements in L/\mathfrak{b} and $(L/\mathfrak{a})/\mathfrak{B}$ such that $\bar{A}_a \leftrightarrow \bar{\bar{A}}_{A_a}$. Consider a subset $(\bar{A}_a; a \in S)$ of L/\mathfrak{b} with power $< \aleph$. Then $\sum(\bar{A}_a; a \in S) = \bar{A}_{\sum(a; a \in S)}$ corresponds to $\bar{\bar{A}}_{\sum(A_a; a \in S)} = \bar{\bar{A}}_{\sum(A_a; a \in S)} = \sum(\bar{\bar{A}}_{A_a}; a \in S)$ ⁽¹⁾. Similarly for $\Pi(\bar{A}_a; a \in S)$. Hence L/\mathfrak{b} is isomorphic to $(L/\mathfrak{a})/\mathfrak{B}$ with respect to the join and the meet of subsets of power $< \aleph$.

THEOREM 3.4. *If \mathfrak{J} and $\bar{\mathfrak{J}}$ are the classes of all \aleph -ideals in a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L and in L/\mathfrak{a} respectively, then the homomorphism $L \rightarrow L/\mathfrak{a}$ induces a homomorphism $\mathfrak{J} \rightarrow \bar{\mathfrak{J}}$ with respect to the join of any subset and to the meet of subsets of power $< \aleph$. If \mathfrak{b} and \mathfrak{c} are \aleph -ideals in L with respective images \mathfrak{B} and \mathfrak{C} in L/\mathfrak{a} , then $\mathfrak{b} \vee \mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{c} \vee \mathfrak{a}$ and $\mathfrak{B} = \mathfrak{C}$ are equivalent.*

PROOF. (i) Let $\mathfrak{C} = (\mathfrak{a}_i; i \in I)$ be any subset of \mathfrak{J} , and let $\bar{\mathfrak{C}} = (\mathfrak{A}_i; i \in I)$ ⁽²⁾ be the image of \mathfrak{C} in $\bar{\mathfrak{J}}$. By Theorem 2.1, $\sum(\mathfrak{C})$ consists of those elements

(1) By (1) in the proof of Theorem 3.1.

(2) In this expression some \mathfrak{A}_i coincide, in spite of different indices, \mathfrak{A}_i being the image of \mathfrak{a}_i .

such that $c = \sum(a_\alpha; a_\alpha \in \mathfrak{a}_\alpha, \alpha \in I_1)$, where I_1 is a subclass of I of power $< \aleph$. Hence the image of $\sum(\mathfrak{C})$ consists of those elements such that $A_c = \sum(A_\alpha; A_\alpha \in \mathfrak{A}_\alpha, \alpha \in I_1)$. Hence image of $\sum(\mathfrak{C}) \subset \sum(\tilde{\mathfrak{C}})$. Conversely, $\sum(\tilde{\mathfrak{C}})$ consists of those elements such that $C = \sum(A_\alpha; A_\alpha \in \mathfrak{A}_\alpha, \alpha \in I_1)$, where I_1 is a subclass of I of power $< \aleph$. There exist $a_\alpha \in \mathfrak{a}_\alpha$ such that $A_\alpha = A_{a_\alpha}$ for all $\alpha \in I_1$. Put $c = \sum(a_\alpha; \alpha \in I_1)$; then $c \in \sum(\mathfrak{C})$ and $C = A_c$. That is, $C \in$ image of $\sum(\mathfrak{C})$. Hence $\sum(\tilde{\mathfrak{C}}) \subset$ image of $\sum(\mathfrak{C})$. Consequently $\sum(\tilde{\mathfrak{C}}) =$ image of $\sum(\mathfrak{C})$.

(ii) In a similar manner we can prove that if $\mathfrak{C} = (a_\alpha; \alpha \in I)$ be any subset of \mathfrak{J} of power $< \aleph$, and $\tilde{\mathfrak{C}} = (\mathfrak{A}_\alpha; \alpha \in I)$ be the image of \mathfrak{C} , then $\Pi(\tilde{\mathfrak{C}}) =$ image of $\Pi(\mathfrak{C})$.

(iii) Since in the homomorphism $L \rightarrow L/\mathfrak{a}$, the image of \mathfrak{a} is the ideal \mathfrak{D} consisting of zero element in L/\mathfrak{a} alone. Hence $b \vee \mathfrak{a}$ and $c \vee \mathfrak{a}$ have respective images $\mathfrak{B} \vee \mathfrak{D} = \mathfrak{B}$ and $\mathfrak{C} \vee \mathfrak{D} = \mathfrak{C}$. It follows that $b \vee \mathfrak{a} = c \vee \mathfrak{a}$ implies $\mathfrak{B} = \mathfrak{C}$. Furthermore, if b is any element in L with image B in \mathfrak{B} , then there exists an element b_0 in b which also has B as its image. The fact that b and b_0 have the same images implies that $b \sim b_0 \pmod{\mathfrak{a}}$, that is, $b \vee u = b_0 \vee v$ where $u, v \in \mathfrak{a}$. Hence $b \in b \vee \mathfrak{a}$. Thus $b \vee \mathfrak{a}$ is the class of all elements in L with images in \mathfrak{B} . Similarly $c \vee \mathfrak{a}$ is the class of all elements in L with images in \mathfrak{C} . In consequence, $\mathfrak{B} = \mathfrak{C}$ implies $b \vee \mathfrak{a} = c \vee \mathfrak{a}$.

THEOREM 3.5. *Let \mathfrak{Y} be the class of all \aleph -ideals in a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L which contains \mathfrak{a} , and $\tilde{\mathfrak{J}}$ be the class of all \aleph -ideals in L/\mathfrak{a} . The homomorphism $L \rightarrow L/\mathfrak{a}$ induces an isomorphism $\mathfrak{Y} \leftrightarrow \tilde{\mathfrak{J}}$ with respect to the join of any subset and to the meet of subsets of power $< \aleph$.*

PROOF. By Theorem 3.2, to any element b in \mathfrak{Y} there corresponds only one element \mathfrak{B} in $\tilde{\mathfrak{J}}$. Next, let b and c be two elements in \mathfrak{Y} which have the same image \mathfrak{B} in $\tilde{\mathfrak{J}}$; then, by Theorem 3.4, $b \vee \mathfrak{a} = c \vee \mathfrak{a}$. Since $b \supset \mathfrak{a}$, $c \supset \mathfrak{a}$, we have $b = c$. That is, there exists one-to-one correspondence between \mathfrak{Y} and $\tilde{\mathfrak{J}}$. And Theorem 3.4 shows that this correspondence is an isomorphism with respect to the join of any subset and to the meet of subsets of power $< \aleph$.

Generalized \aleph -Boolean Algebra with \aleph -Chain Condition.

4. DEFINITION 4.1 (4.1*). Let L be a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra and \mathcal{Q} be an ordinal number. A subset $S = (a_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q})$ of L is called an *ascending (descending) system* when $a_\alpha < a_\beta$ ($a_\alpha > a_\beta$) for all $\alpha < \beta < \mathcal{Q}$.

DEFINITION 4.2 (4.2*). In L , if for every ascending (descending) system S , the power of S is $< \aleph$, then we say that L satisfies the \aleph -ascending (descending) chain condition.

DEFINITION 4.3. If L satisfies both \aleph -ascending and \aleph -descending chain conditions, then we say that L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition.

THEOREM 4.1. *If a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L with zero element 0 satisfies the \aleph -ascending chain condition, then L satisfies, also, the \aleph -descending chain condition.*

PROOF. Let $S=(a_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q})$ be any descending system. Let $b_\alpha (\alpha < \mathcal{Q})$ be such that

$$a_\alpha \vee b_\alpha = a_0, \quad a_\alpha \wedge b_\alpha = 0.$$

Then $S'=(b_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q})$ is an ascending system.⁽¹⁾ Since the power of S' is $< \aleph$, the power of S is $< \aleph$.

THEOREM 4.1*. *If a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L with unit element 1 satisfies the \aleph -descending chain condition, then L satisfies, also, the \aleph -ascending chain condition.*

PROOF. Let $S=(a_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q})$ be any ascending system. Let $b_\alpha (\alpha < \mathcal{Q})$ be such that

$$a_\alpha \vee b_\alpha = 1, \quad a_\alpha \wedge b_\alpha = a_0.$$

Then $S'=(b_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q})$ is a descending system, and the theorem holds good.

THEOREM 4.2. *If a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition, then L is a continuous Boolean algebra, and every \aleph -ideal and dual \aleph -ideal in L is principal.*

PROOF. In order to prove this theorem, we must show that $\sum(S)$ and $\Pi(S)$ exist for any subset S of L . If there exists a subset S such that $\sum(S)$ does not exist, then there exists a set \bar{S} of minimum power having this property. Let \mathcal{Q} be the smallest ordinal corresponding to this power, and replace \bar{S} by the system $(a_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q})$. By the definition of \bar{S} , $b_\alpha = \sum(a_\gamma; \gamma < \alpha)$ exists for each $\alpha < \mathcal{Q}$. But, by assumption, $\sum(b_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q})$ does not exist. Now, for each $\alpha < \mathcal{Q}$ there exists a smallest $\alpha' < \mathcal{Q}$ such that $b_{\alpha'} = b_\alpha$; let us denote this α' by α^* . Let K be the set of all $\alpha^* < \mathcal{Q}$. Then the sets $(b_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q})$, $(b_{\alpha^*}; \alpha^* \in K)$ are equal, and $\sum(b_{\alpha^*}; \alpha^* \in K)$ does not exist. Therefore the power of K is $\geq \aleph$. But $(b_{\alpha^*}; \alpha^* \in K)$ is an ascending system, and, by assumption, the power of K is $< \aleph$, which is absurd.

Similarly we can prove the existence of $\Pi(S)$ for every subset S of L .

Next, let \mathfrak{b} be any \aleph -ideal in L . Let \mathcal{Q}_0 be the smallest ordinal corresponding to the power of \mathfrak{b} , and denote all the elements of \mathfrak{b} by $(a_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q}_0)$. Since L is continuous, $b = \sum(a_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q}_0)$ and $b_\alpha = \sum(a_\gamma; \gamma < \alpha)$ ($\alpha < \mathcal{Q}_0$) exist. As before, for each $\alpha < \mathcal{Q}_0$ there exists a smallest $\alpha' < \mathcal{Q}_0$ such that $b_{\alpha'} = b_\alpha$; let us denote this α' by α^* . Let K_0 be the set of all $\alpha^* < \mathcal{Q}_0$. Then

(1) For, when $\alpha < \beta < \mathcal{Q}_0$, since $b_\alpha \wedge a_\beta \subset b_\alpha \wedge a_\alpha = 0$,

$$b_\alpha = b_\alpha \wedge a_0 = b_\alpha \wedge (a_\beta \vee b_\beta) = (b_\alpha \wedge a_\beta) \vee (b_\alpha \wedge b_\beta) = b_\alpha \wedge b_\beta,$$

that is, $b_\alpha \subset b_\beta$. If $b_\alpha = b_\beta$, then

$$a_\alpha = a_0 \wedge a_\alpha = (a_\beta \vee b_\alpha) \wedge a_\alpha = (a_\beta \wedge a_\alpha) \vee (b_\alpha \wedge a_\alpha) = a_\beta,$$

which is absurd. Consequently $b_\alpha < b_\beta$.

$$b = \sum(a_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q}_0) = \sum(b_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q}_0) = \sum(b_{\alpha^*}; \alpha \in K_0). \quad (1)$$

Since $(b_{\alpha^*}; \alpha^* \in K_0)$ is an ascending system, the power of K_0 is $< \aleph$. Hence, b being an \aleph -ideal, by (1) $b \in b$. Consequently $b = a(b)$, as we wished to prove.

Similarly we can prove that every dual \aleph -ideal is principal.

DEFINITION 4.4. If a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L with zero element satisfies the following condition:

- (T₁) For every subset T of L such that
 (a₁) $a \in T$ implies $a \neq 0$,
 (β₁) $a, b \in T$, $a \neq b$ implies $a \wedge b = 0$,
 the power of T is $< \aleph$;

then we say that L satisfies the \aleph -independence condition.⁽¹⁾

THEOREM 4.3. A generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition, if, and only if, L has zero element and satisfies the \aleph -independence condition.

PROOF. (i) First, assume that L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition. Then, by Theorem 4.2, L is a continuous Boolean algebra. Let T be a subset of L which satisfies (a₁) and (β₁) of (T₁). And let \mathcal{Q} be the smallest ordinal corresponding to the power of T , and denote T by $(a_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q})$. Then, for every $\alpha < \mathcal{Q}$, $b_\alpha = \sum(a_\gamma; \gamma < \alpha)$ exists. Now, by (β₁),

$$a_\alpha \wedge b_\alpha = a_\alpha \wedge \sum(a_\gamma; \gamma < \alpha) = \sum(a_\alpha \wedge a_\gamma; \gamma < \alpha) = 0.$$

Hence $a_\alpha \not\leq b_\alpha$ and $a_\alpha \vee b_\alpha > b_\alpha$. If $\alpha < \beta < \mathcal{Q}$, then

$$b_\beta \supset a_\alpha \vee b_\alpha > b_\alpha.$$

Therefore $(b_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q})$ is an ascending system. Since L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition, the power of $(b_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q})$ is $< \aleph$. Hence the power of $T < \aleph$.

(ii) Conversely, assume that L has zero element 0 and satisfies the \aleph -independence condition. If L does not satisfy the \aleph -chain condition, then there exists an ascending system $S = (b_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q})$ with power \aleph . Let a_α be such that

$$b_\alpha \vee a_\alpha = b_{\alpha+1}, \quad b_\alpha \wedge a_\alpha = 0.$$

Then the power of $T = (a_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q})$ is \aleph and

- (a₁) $a_\alpha \neq 0$, since $b_\alpha < b_{\alpha+1}$;
 (β₁) $a_\alpha \wedge a_\beta = 0$ when $\alpha < \beta < \mathcal{Q}$, since $a_\alpha \wedge a_\beta \subset b_\beta \wedge a_\beta = 0$.

But, by condition (T₁), the power of $T < \aleph$, which is absurd.

DEFINITION 4.5. Let L be a continuous Boolean algebra. An element

(1) J. v. Neumann introduced this condition, and proved that, if an \aleph -Boolean algebra L satisfies the \aleph -independence condition, then L is a continuous Boolean algebra. (Cf. J. v. Neumann [2], 8). From Theorem 4.3, we may say that Theorem 4.2 is a generalization of J. v. Neumann's theorem.

$a \neq 0$ of L is *atomistic* if $b < a$ implies $b = 0$. The set L_{at} is the set of all atomistic elements of L ; L is *atomistic* if $\sum(L_{at}) = 1$.⁽¹⁾

THEOREM 4.4. *If a generalized \aleph_0 -Boolean algebra L satisfies the \aleph_0 -chain condition, then L is an atomistic Boolean algebra which is lattice-isomorphic to the class of all subsets of a finite set.*

PROOF. By Theorem 4.2, L being continuous, L has zero element 0 and unit element 1. Now, we can prove that $\sum(L_{at}) = 1$. If $\sum(L_{at}) \neq 1$, then there exists an element $b \neq 0$ in L such that $\sum(L_{at}) \wedge b = 0$. Since L satisfies the \aleph_0 -chain condition, there exists an atomistic element a such that $a \subset b$. But $a \subset \sum(L_{at})$, contradicting $\sum(L_{at}) \wedge b = 0$. Consequently L is an atomistic Boolean algebra.

If $a, b \in L_{at}$ and $a \neq b$, then $a \wedge b = 0$. Since, by Theorem 4.3, L satisfies the \aleph_0 -independence condition, L_{at} is a finite set. And L is lattice-isomorphic to the class of all subsets of L_{at} .

DEFINITION 4.6. Let α be an \aleph -ideal in a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L ; if L/α ⁽²⁾ satisfies the \aleph -chain condition, then we say that L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition relative to α , and α is called a *basic \aleph -ideal of the \aleph -chain condition*.⁽³⁾

THEOREM 4.5. *If a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition relative to α , then L/α is a continuous Boolean algebra, and every \aleph -ideal and every dual \aleph -ideal in L/α is principal.*

(1) Cf. J. v. Neumann [2], 19.

(2) By Theorem 3.1, L/α is a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra with zero element.

(3) Dually, we can define as follows:

DEFINITION 4.6.* Let α^* be a dual \aleph -ideal in a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L ; if L/α^* satisfies the \aleph -chain condition, then we say that L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition relative to α^* , and α^* is called a *basic dual \aleph -ideal of the \aleph -chain condition*.

And we have the following theorem:

THEOREM 4.6.* *A generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition relative to α^* if, and only if, L satisfies the following condition:*

(T₂^{*}) *For every subset T of L such that*

(α_2) *$a \in T$ implies $a \notin \alpha^*$,*

(β_2) *$a, b \in T$, $a \neq b$ implies $a \vee b \in \alpha^*$,*

the power of T is $< \aleph$.

Corresponding to Sec. 5, in an \aleph -Boolean algebra L ($\aleph = \aleph_0$ or \aleph_1), we have lattice functions which are multiplicative, instead of additive, as follows:

(i) Case $\aleph = \aleph_0$: $\phi(a) = \frac{1}{n}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$,

Case $\aleph = \aleph_1$: $0 < \phi(a) \leq 1$;

(ii) $\phi(a) = \prod_i \phi(a_i)$ when $a = \prod_i a_i$.

($\prod_i a_i$ means $\prod_i (a_i; i = 1, 2, \dots)$ when $a_i \vee a_j = 1$ for all $i \neq j$).

THEOREM 5.1.* *Set α_ϕ^* of all elements a such that $\phi(a) = 1$ is a dual \aleph -ideal in L .*

THEOREM 5.2.* *L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition relative to α_ϕ^* .*

In this way we have dual theorems for those in Sec. 4 and 5; but I omit them.

PROOF. This theorem is evident from Definition 4.6 and Theorem 4.2.

DEFINITION 4.7. Let α be an \aleph -ideal in a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L . If L satisfies the following condition:

- (T₂) For every subset T of L such that
 (α_2) $a \in T$ implies $a \notin \alpha$,
 (β_2) $a, b \in T$, $a \neq b$ implies $a \wedge b \in \alpha$,
 the power of T is $< \aleph$;

then we say that L satisfies the \aleph -independence condition relative to α .

THEOREM 4.6. In a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L , the \aleph -chain condition relative to α is equivalent to the \aleph -independence condition relative to α .

PROOF. If a subset T of L satisfies (α_2) and (β_2) of (T₂), then $\mathfrak{T} = (A_a; a \in T)$ satisfies (α_1) and (β_1) of (T₁). Since $a \neq b$ implies $A_a \neq A_b$ ⁽¹⁾ T and \mathfrak{T} have the same power. Next, let \mathfrak{T} be a subset of L/α which satisfies (α_1) and (β_1) of (T₁). If we take out one element a such that $A_a = A$ for each $A \in \mathfrak{T}$, then set T of such an element a satisfies (α_2) and (β_2) of (T₂), and T and \mathfrak{T} have the same power. Hence L satisfies the \aleph -independence condition relative to α if, and only if, L/α satisfies the \aleph -independence condition. Consequently the present theorem follows from Theorem 4.3 and Definition 4.6.

THEOREM 4.7. When a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L has zero element 0, the \aleph -independence condition relative to α is equivalent to the following condition:

- (T₃) For every set $T \subseteq L$ such that
 (α_3) $a \in T$ implies $a \notin \alpha$,
 (β_3) $a, b \in T$, $a \neq b$ implies $a \wedge b = 0$,
 the power of T is $< \aleph$.⁽²⁾

PROOF. It is evident that when L satisfies (T₂), then L satisfies (T₃). Hence we shall show that when L satisfies (T₃), then L satisfies (T₂). Let T be a subset of L which satisfies (α_2) and (β_2) of (T₂). Now, if the power of $T \geq \aleph$, then there is a subset T' of T with power \aleph . Let \mathcal{Q} be the smallest ordinal of power \aleph , and write $T' = (a_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q})$. Then for every $\alpha < \mathcal{Q}$, $b_\alpha = \sum (a_\gamma; \gamma < \alpha)$ exists. Now,

$$a_\alpha \wedge b_\alpha = a_\alpha \wedge \sum (a_\gamma; \gamma < \alpha) = \sum (a_\alpha \wedge a_\gamma; \gamma < \alpha).$$

By the property of T , $a_\alpha \wedge a_\gamma \in \alpha$. Hence

(1) For, if $A_a = A_b$, then $a \vee u = b \vee v$ ($u, v \in \alpha$). And $a = a \wedge (b \vee v) = (a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge v) \in \alpha$, which is absurd.

(2) J. v. Neumann introduced this condition (T₃), and proved that, if an \aleph -Boolean algebra L satisfies (T₃), then L/α is a continuous Boolean algebra. (Cf. J. v. Neumann [2], 11.) By Theorem 4.6, we may say that Theorem 4.5 is a generalization of J. v. Neumann's theorem.

$$a_a \wedge b_a \in a \quad \text{for all } a < \mathcal{Q}.$$

Since $a_a \notin a$, $a_a \wedge b_a \neq a_a$. Now let \bar{a}_a be such that

$$(a_a \wedge b_a) \vee \bar{a}_a = a_a, \quad (a_a \wedge b_a) \wedge \bar{a}_a = 0. \quad (1)$$

Since $a_a \wedge b_a \neq a_a$, $\bar{a}_a \neq 0$. Therefore the power of $(\bar{a}_a; a < \mathcal{Q})$ is \aleph . If $a < \beta < \mathcal{Q}$, then, since $\bar{a}_a \subset a_a \subset b_\beta$, $\bar{a}_\beta \subset a_\beta$, we have, by (1),

$$\bar{a}_a \wedge \bar{a}_\beta \subset b_\beta \wedge \bar{a}_\beta \wedge a_\beta = 0.$$

Next we shall show that $\bar{a}_a \notin a$ for all $a < \mathcal{Q}$. For if $\bar{a}_a \in a$, then, since $a_a \wedge b_a \in a$, we have, by (1), $a_a \in a$, which contradicts the assumption of T . Consequently $(\bar{a}_a; a < \mathcal{Q})$ satisfies conditions (α_3) and (β_3) of (T_3) . Hence, by assumption, the power of $(\bar{a}_a; a < \mathcal{Q})$ is $< \aleph$, which is absurd; and the proof is complete.

THEOREM 4.8. *Let a, b be \aleph -ideals in a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L , such that $a \subset b$. If L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition relative to a , then L satisfies, also, the \aleph -chain condition relative to b .⁽¹⁾*

PROOF. If L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition relative to a , then, by Definition 4.6, L/a satisfies the \aleph -chain condition. Hence, by Theorem 4.3, L/a has zero element and satisfies the \aleph -independence condition, that is, (T_1) . Hence L/a satisfies (T_3) with respect to the \aleph -ideal \mathfrak{B} , \mathfrak{B} being the image of b under the homomorphism $L \rightarrow L/a$. Therefore, by Theorem 4.7, L/a satisfies the \aleph -independence condition relative to \mathfrak{B} . Hence, by Theorem 4.6 and Definition 4.6, $(L/a)/\mathfrak{B}$ satisfies the \aleph -chain condition. Therefore by Theorem 3.3 L/b satisfies \aleph -chain condition. Consequently, by Definition 4.6, L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition relative to b .

THEOREM 4.9. *If a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition relative to an \aleph -ideal a , then class \mathfrak{Y} of all \aleph -ideals which contain a is an \aleph -Boolean algebra.*

PROOF. From Theorem 3.5, \mathfrak{Y} is isomorphic to class \mathfrak{F} of all \aleph -ideals in L/a with respect to the join of any subset and to the meet of subsets of power $< \aleph$. But, by Theorem 4.5, every \aleph -ideal in L/a is principal; hence, by Theorem 2.2, \mathfrak{F} is a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra. Obviously, \mathfrak{F} has zero and unit elements. Consequently \mathfrak{Y} is an \aleph -Boolean algebra.

If we extract the complementedness of the \aleph -Boolean algebra \mathfrak{Y} , then, from Theorem 4.9, we have the following theorem, a being zero element of \mathfrak{Y} .

THEOREM 4.10. *If a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition relative to an \aleph -ideal a , then, for any \aleph -ideals b, c such that $a \subset b \subset c$, there exists an \aleph -ideal d such that*

$$b \vee d = c, \quad b \wedge d = a.$$

(1) If L has zero element, then this theorem is evident from Theorems 4.6 and 4.7.

THEOREM 4.11. *In a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra L , class \mathfrak{P}_\aleph of all basic \aleph -ideals of the \aleph -chain condition is a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra with unit element e . And $a \in \mathfrak{P}_\aleph$, $b \in \mathfrak{J}$, $b \supset a$ implies $b \in \mathfrak{P}_\aleph$.*

PROOF. If $a \in \mathfrak{P}_\aleph$ and $b \supset a$, then, by Theorem 4.8, $b \in \mathfrak{P}_\aleph$. Hence \mathfrak{P}_\aleph being the subset of \mathfrak{J} , by Theorem 2.1, \mathfrak{P}_\aleph is closed with respect to the join of any subset. Next I shall show that \mathfrak{P}_\aleph is closed with respect to the meet of subsets of power $< \aleph$. Let \mathfrak{C} be any subset of \mathfrak{P}_\aleph of power $< \aleph$. Let \mathcal{Q} be the first ordinal corresponding to the power of \mathfrak{C} , and write $\mathfrak{C} = (a_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q})$. Since \mathfrak{C} is the subset of \mathfrak{J} , by Theorem 2.1 $a = \prod(a_\alpha; \alpha < \mathcal{Q})$ exists. Let T be any subset of L which satisfies (α_2) and (β_2) of (T_2) with respect to a . Denote by T_α the set of all elements of T which is not contained in a_α . Since T_α satisfies (α_2) and (β_2) of (T_2) with respect to a_α , the power of T_α is $< \aleph$. Since T is the set-theoretical sum of T_α ($\alpha < \mathcal{Q}$), the power of T is $< \aleph \cdot \aleph = \aleph$. Consequently L satisfies the \aleph -independence condition relative to a , and a is a basic \aleph -ideal of the \aleph -chain condition. That is, $a \in \mathfrak{P}_\aleph$.

Now the complementedness and the distributivity of \mathfrak{P}_\aleph follow from Theorems 4.10 and 2.1 respectively. The proof is thus completed.

When L has zero element 0 , and the \aleph -ideal 0 belongs to \mathfrak{P}_\aleph , it is a very trivial case; for in this case $\mathfrak{P}_\aleph = \mathfrak{J}$, and, by Theorem 4.2, all \aleph -ideals in \mathfrak{P}_\aleph are principal; hence, by Theorem 2.2, \mathfrak{P}_\aleph is isomorphic to L .

By Theorem 4.11, \mathfrak{P}_\aleph is a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra with elements a, b, c, \dots . Hence, in \mathfrak{P}_\aleph we can define dual \aleph -ideals, which we denote by $\mathfrak{A}^*, \mathfrak{B}^*, \mathfrak{C}^*, \dots$. And let ϕ_\aleph^* be the class of all dual \aleph -ideals in \mathfrak{P}_\aleph . Then we have the following theorems.

THEOREM 4.12. *Every dual \aleph -ideal \mathfrak{B}^* in \mathfrak{P}_\aleph contained in a principal dual \aleph -ideal $\mathfrak{A}^*(a)$ in \mathfrak{P}_\aleph , is also principal.*

PROOF. Since $a \in \mathfrak{P}_\aleph$, by Theorem 4.11 $\mathfrak{A}^*(a)$ is a class of all elements b of \mathfrak{J} such that $b \supset a$. Hence, by Theorem 3.5, $\mathfrak{A}^*(a)$ is isomorphic to class \mathfrak{J} of all \aleph -ideals in L/a with respect to the join of any subset and to the meet of subsets of power $< \aleph$. Since $a \in \mathfrak{P}_\aleph$, L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition relative to a , therefore, by Theorem 4.5, \mathfrak{J} is isomorphic to L/a and every dual \aleph -ideal in L/a is principal. Consequently, \mathfrak{B}^* being a dual \aleph -ideal in $\mathfrak{A}^*(a)$, \mathfrak{B}^* is principal, as we wished to prove.

THEOREM 4.13. *Class ϕ_\aleph^* of all dual \aleph -ideals in \mathfrak{P}_\aleph is a continuous Boolean algebra.*

PROOF. By Theorem 4.11, \mathfrak{P}_\aleph is a generalized \aleph -Boolean algebra with unit element e . Hence, applying Theorem 2.4* to \mathfrak{P}_\aleph instead of L , by Theorem 4.12, the assertion of the present theorem holds good.

Generalized \aleph -Boolean Algebra of Measure Functions.

5. In what follows, let L be an \aleph -Boolean algebra, where $\aleph = \aleph_0$ or \aleph_1 .

DEFINITION 5.1. If, to any element a of L , there corresponds a real (finite) number $\phi(a)$ such that

- (i) Case $\aleph = \aleph_0$: $\phi(a) = n$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$,
Case $\aleph = \aleph_1$: $0 \leq \phi(a)$;
- (ii) $\phi(a) = \sum \phi(a_i)$ when $a = \sum_i \oplus a_i^{(1)}$;

then we say that $\phi(a)$ is a *measure function* defined in L .

Denote by \mathfrak{F}_\aleph the class of all measure functions defined in L , where $\aleph = \aleph_0$ or \aleph_1 .

It is to be noted that (ii) implies $\phi(a) + \phi(b) = \phi(a \vee b) + \phi(a \wedge b)$. For let c be such that $(a \wedge b) \vee c = a$, $(a \wedge b) \wedge c = 0$. Then $c \vee b = c \vee (a \wedge b) \vee b = a \vee b$, $c \wedge b = (a \wedge b) \wedge c = 0$. Hence $\phi(a) = \phi(a \wedge b) + \phi(c)$ and $\phi(a \vee b) = \phi(c) + \phi(b)$. Consequently $\phi(a) + \phi(b) = \phi(a \vee b) + \phi(a \wedge b)$.

THEOREM 5.1. Set a_ϕ of all elements a such that $\phi(a) = 0$ is an \aleph -ideal in L .⁽²⁾

PROOF. If $b \subset a$ and $\phi(a) = 0$, then, since

$$\phi(a) = \phi(b) + \phi(c),$$

where c is an element such that $b \vee c = a$, $b \wedge c = 0$, we have $\phi(b) = 0$. Let $(a_i; i = 1, 2, \dots)$ be a subset of a_ϕ of power $< \aleph$; then, since $\phi(\sum a_i) \leq \sum \phi(a_i)$, $\phi(\sum a_i) = 0$, that is, $\sum a_i \in a_\phi$. Consequently a_ϕ is an \aleph -ideal.

THEOREM 5.2. L satisfies the \aleph -chain condition relative to a_ϕ .

PROOF. From Theorems 4.6 and 4.7, to prove the present theorem, it is sufficient to show that L satisfies the following condition:

- (T₃) For every set $T \subset L$ such that
 - (α_3) $a \in T$ implies $\phi(a) > 0$,
 - (β_3) $a, b \in T$, $a \neq b$ implies $a \wedge b = 0$,
 the power of T is $< \aleph$.

When $\aleph = \aleph_0$, then $\phi(a) \geq 1$ for any $a \in T$. Since $\phi(1)$ is finite, by the additivity of $\phi(a)$, the power of T must be finite.

When $\aleph = \aleph_1$, by the complete additivity of $\phi(a)$, power of set S of those elements $a \in T$, such that $\frac{1}{2^n} \geq \phi(a) > \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$ is finite. Hence power of T is \aleph_0 .

(1) We write $\sum_i \oplus a_i$ in place of $\sum(a_i; i = 1, 2, \dots)$, provided $a_i \wedge a_j = 0$ for all $i \neq j$.

(2) It has already been pointed out by A. Tarski that an \aleph_0 -ideal a is a prime ideal when, and only when, $a = a_\phi$, where $\phi(a)$ takes only two values 0 and 1. (Cf. A. Tarski, Fund. Math. **15** (1930), 42.)

If we denote by \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph} the set of all \aleph -ideals α_ϕ ($\phi \in \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph}$), then, by Theorem 5.2, \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph} is a subset of \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph} ($\aleph = \aleph_0$ or \aleph_1).

THEOREM 5.3. $\mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_0} = \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_0}$.

PROOF. Since $\mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_0} \subseteq \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_0}$, we must prove that $\mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_0} \subseteq \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_0}$. Let $\alpha \in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_0}$; by Definition 4.6, L/α satisfies the \aleph_0 -chain condition, and hence, by Theorem 4.4, L/α is lattice-isomorphic to the class of all subsets of a finite set. When $A \in L/\alpha$, if n is the number of elements of the subset which corresponds to A , then define $\phi(A) = n$. Then $\phi(A)$ is a measure function defined in L/α . Now define $\phi(a) = \phi(A)$ when $a \in A$. Then $\phi(a) = 0$ when $a \in \alpha$. Let $(a_i; i = 1, 2, \dots, \nu)$ be any set such that $a_i \wedge a_j = 0$ when $i \neq j$. Then $A_{a_i} \wedge A_{a_j} = A_{a_i \wedge a_j} = A_0 = 0$ when $i \neq j$. Now

$$\phi(\sum a_i) = \phi(A_{\sum a_i}) = \phi(\sum A_{a_i})^{(2)} = \sum \phi(A_{a_i}) = \sum \phi(a_i).$$

Consequently $\phi(a)$ is a measure function such that $\alpha = \alpha_\phi$. That is, $\alpha \in \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_0}$, and $\mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_0} \subseteq \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_0}$, as we wished to prove.

THEOREM 5.4. \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_1} is a dual \aleph_1 -ideal in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} ; hence \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_1} is a generalized \aleph_1 -Boolean algebra with unit element. And class $\mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1}^*$ of all dual \aleph_1 -ideals in \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_1} is a continuous Boolean algebra.

PROOF. (i) Let $S = (\alpha_{\phi_i}; i = 1, 2, \dots)$ be a denumerable subset of \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_1} .

Put
$$\phi(a) = \sum_i \frac{\phi_i(a)}{2^i \phi_i(1)}.$$

Then $\phi(a)$ is a measure function. Since $\phi(a) = 0$ when, and only when, $\phi_i(a) = 0$ for all i , we have $\alpha_\phi = H(\alpha_{\phi_i}; i = 1, 2, \dots)$. Hence $H(\alpha_{\phi_i}; i = 1, 2, \dots) \in \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_1}$.

(ii) Let $\alpha \in \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_1}$, $b \in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1}$ and $b \supset \alpha$. Let $\phi(a)$ be a measure function such that $\alpha = \alpha_\phi$. By Theorem 4.10, there exists an \aleph_1 -ideal c such that

$$b \vee c = e, \quad b \wedge c = \alpha.$$

By Theorem 2.1, every element $a \in e$ is expressed in the form $a = b \vee c$ where $b \in b$, $c \in c$. Since $b \wedge c \in b \wedge c = \alpha$, and $\phi(b \wedge c) = 0$, we have

$$\phi(a) = \phi(b) + \phi(c).$$

The value of $\phi(c)$ is uniquely determined for a definite element a . For, if $a = b_1 \vee c_1$ where $b_1 \in b$, $c_1 \in c$, then

$$c = c \wedge a = c \wedge (b_1 \vee c_1) = (c \wedge b_1) \vee (c \wedge c_1)$$

and $c \wedge b_1 \in c \wedge b = \alpha$; hence we have $\phi(c) = \phi(c \wedge c_1)$. Similarly $\phi(c_1) = \phi(c \wedge c_1)$. Consequently $\phi(c) = \phi(c_1)$.

Now, put $\psi(a) = \phi(c)$.

(a) $\psi(a) = 0$ when $a \in b$, and $\psi(a) \geq 0$.

(1) By (2) in the proof of Theorem 3.1.

(2) By (1) in the proof of Theorem 3.1.

(β) When $a = \sum_i \oplus a_i$, put

$$a_i = b_i \vee c_i, \quad b_i \in \mathfrak{b}, \quad c_i \in \mathfrak{c},$$

for all i . Then $a = \sum_i \oplus b_i \vee \sum_i \oplus c_i$, and $\sum_i \oplus b_i \in \mathfrak{b}$, $\sum_i \oplus c_i \in \mathfrak{c}$. Hence

$$\phi(a) = \phi(\sum_i \oplus c_i) = \sum_i \phi(c_i) = \sum_i \phi(a_i).$$

(γ) $\phi(a) \neq 0$ when $a \notin \mathfrak{b}$. For, when $a \notin \mathfrak{b}$, let $a = b \vee c$, $b \in \mathfrak{b}$, $c \in \mathfrak{c}$. If $c \in \mathfrak{a}$, then $c \in \mathfrak{a} \subset \mathfrak{b}$ and $a = b \vee c \in \mathfrak{b}$, which is absurd. Hence $c \notin \mathfrak{a}$, and $\phi(c) \neq 0$.

Thus $\phi(a)$ is a measure function such that $\mathfrak{b} = \mathfrak{a}_\phi$. Consequently $\mathfrak{b} \in \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_1}$.

From (i) and (ii), \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_1} is a dual \aleph_1 -ideal in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} .

(iii) By Theorem 4.13, class $\mathcal{Q}_{\aleph_1}^*$ of all dual \aleph_1 -ideals in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} is a continuous Boolean algebra, $\mathcal{P}_{\aleph_1}^*$ being the set of all dual \aleph_1 -ideals \mathfrak{A}^* in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} such that $\mathfrak{A}^* \subset \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_1}$, $\mathcal{P}_{\aleph_1}^*$ is also a continuous Boolean algebra.

6. Let $\phi(a)$ and $\psi(a)$ be two measure functions in \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} . If $\phi(a) = 0$ for all a such that $\phi(a) = 0$, then we say, as in the theory of set functions, that $\psi(a)$ is absolutely continuous with respect to $\phi(a)$, and write $\psi < \phi$ or $\phi > \psi$.⁽¹⁾ To indicate that the relations $\psi < \phi$, $\phi < \psi$ both hold good, we write $\psi \sim \phi$.

Since $\psi < \phi$ when, and only when, $\mathfrak{a}_\psi \supset \mathfrak{a}_\phi$, if we use the relation $<$ as the order in the lattice theory, then \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} is dual-isomorphic to \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_1} . Hence, from Theorem 5.4, we have

THEOREM 6.1.⁽²⁾ *System \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} of all measure functions is a generalized \aleph_1 -Boolean algebra with zero element.*⁽³⁾ *And class \mathcal{P}_{\aleph_1} of all \aleph_1 -ideals in \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} is a continuous Boolean algebra.*

Of course, the zero element of \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} is the function $\phi(a)$ such that $\phi(a) = 0$ for all $a \in L$.

Application to the Spectral Theory.

7. Let \mathfrak{H} be a complete complex Euclidean space, with elements f, g, \dots , that is, a space which satisfies all the axioms of Hilbert space except the axiom of separability. Let $E(a)$ be a projection defined for all elements a of an \aleph_1 -Boolean algebra L . If $E(a)$ satisfies the following conditions, then we say that $E(a)$ is a *resolution of identity* in the generalized sense.⁽⁴⁾

(1) This definition is a generalization of that used by M. H. Stone. Cf. M. H. Stone, *Linear Transformations in Hilbert Space*, (1932), 214.

(2) Direct proof of this theorem, using the functional property of $\phi(a)$, is given in Sec. 9.

(3) From Theorem 5.4, \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} is closed with respect to the operation of meet of any subclass of \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} .

(4) This is a generalization of the ordinary defined resolution of identity $E(\lambda)$. (Cf. F. Maeda [1], 78; K. Friedrichs [1], 54-58; F. Wecken [1], 443.)

- (α) $E(a)E(b)=0$ when $a \wedge b=0$;
 (β) $E(a)=E(a_1)+E(a_2)+\cdots+E(a_i)+\cdots$ when $a=\sum_i \oplus a_i$,
 (γ) $E(1)=1$.

Let a, b be any elements in L . And let a_1, b_1 be the inverses of $a \wedge b$ in a and b respectively. That is,

$$a=(a \wedge b) \oplus a_1, \quad b=(a \wedge b) \oplus b_1.$$

From (β), we have

$$E(a)=E(a \wedge b)+E(a_1), \quad E(b)=E(a \wedge b)+E(b_1).$$

Since $a_1 \wedge b_1=0$, from (α) we have

$$(\alpha') \quad E(a)E(b)=E(a \wedge b).$$

(α') shows the permutability of $E(a)$.

Let f be any element in \mathfrak{F} . Then, from (α'),

$$(E(a)f, E(b)f) = \|E(a)E(b)f\|^2 = \|E(a \wedge b)f\|^2 = \sigma(a \wedge b),$$

where $\sigma(a) = \|E(a)f\|^2$. Hence

$$(E(a)f, E(b)f) = 0 \quad \text{when} \quad a \wedge b = 0. \quad (1)$$

From (β), when $a = \sum_i \oplus a_i$,

$$E(a)f = E(a_1)f + E(a_2)f + \cdots + E(a_i)f + \cdots \quad (2)$$

From (1) and (2), we have

$$\sigma(a) = \sigma(a_1) + \sigma(a_2) + \cdots + \sigma(a_i) + \cdots$$

Then $\sigma(a)$ is a measure function as defined in Sec. 5.

Let f be any element in \mathfrak{F} , and let α_f be the class of all elements $a \in L$ such that $E(a)f=0$. If we put $\|E(a)f\|^2 = \sigma(a)$, then $\sigma(a)$ is a measure function, and $\alpha_f = \alpha_\sigma$. Hence α_f is an \aleph_1 -ideal in L contained in \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_1} and therefore in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} .

Denote by $\mathfrak{M}(f)$ the closed linear manifold determined by $E(a)f$ when a runs over L .

LEMMA 7.1. If $g \in \mathfrak{M}(f)$, then $\alpha_f \subset \alpha_g$.

PROOF. If $g \in \mathfrak{M}(f)$, then g is a limit of a sequence of elements of the form

$$h = \alpha_1 E(a_1)f + \alpha_2 E(a_2)f + \cdots + \alpha_n E(a_n)f,$$

where α 's are complex numbers. Hence, by (α'), $E(b)g$ is the limit of the sequence of elements of the form

$$E(b)h = \alpha_1 E(b \wedge a_1)f + \alpha_2 E(b \wedge a_2)f + \cdots + \alpha_n E(b \wedge a_n)f.$$

But if $b \in \alpha_f$, then $E(b \wedge a_i)f = 0$ ($i=1, 2, \dots, n$) and $E(b)h=0$. Hence $E(b)g=0$. Consequently $\alpha_f \subset \alpha_g$.

LEMMA 7.2. If $\alpha_f \vee \alpha_g = e$, then $\mathfrak{M}(f) \perp \mathfrak{M}(g)$.

PROOF. Let $g = g_1 + g_2$, where $g_1 \in \mathfrak{M}(f)$ and $g_2 \perp \mathfrak{M}(f)$. Since $E(a)g = E(a)g_1 + E(a)g_2$ and $(E(a)g_1, E(a)g_2) = (E(a)g_1, g_2) = 0$,

we have $\|E(a)g\|^2 = \|E(a)g_1\|^2 + \|E(a)g_2\|^2$.

Hence

$$\alpha_g \subset \alpha_{g_1}.$$

Since $g_1 \in \mathfrak{M}(f)$, by Lemma 7.1 we have $\alpha_f \subset \alpha_{g_1}$. Consequently $\alpha_{g_1} \supset \alpha_f \vee \alpha_g = e$. That is, $E(a)g_1 = 0$ for all $a \in L$. Therefore $g_1 = 0$, and $g \perp \mathfrak{M}(f)$. That is, $\mathfrak{M}(g) \perp \mathfrak{M}(f)$.⁽¹⁾

LEMMA 7.3. Let b be any \aleph_1 -ideal contained in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} such that $b \supset \alpha_f$. Then there exists an element $c \in L$ such that

$$b = \alpha_g \quad \text{where} \quad g = E(c)f.$$

PROOF. By Theorem 4.10, there exists an \aleph_1 -ideal c in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} such that

$$b \vee c = e, \quad b \wedge c = \alpha_f.$$

By Theorem 2.1, since $1 \in e$, we have

$$1 = b \vee c \quad \text{where} \quad b \in b, c \in c.$$

Now, put $g = E(c)f$. If $a \in b$, then $E(a)g = 0$. For

$$E(a)g = E(a)E(c)f = E(a \wedge c)f$$

by (a'), and $a \wedge c \in b \wedge c = \alpha_f$.

If $a \notin b$, then $E(a)g \neq 0$. For if not, then $E(a \wedge c)f = E(a)g = 0$ and $a \wedge c \in \alpha_f \subset b$. Since

$$a = a \wedge 1 = a \wedge (b \vee c) = (a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge c)$$

and $a \wedge b \in b$, we have $a \in b$, which is absurd.

Thus $a \in b$ when, and only when, $E(a)g = 0$. That is, $b = \alpha_g$.

THEOREM 7.1. Class $(\alpha_g; g \in \mathfrak{M}(f))$ is a principal dual \aleph_1 -ideal $\mathfrak{A}^*(\alpha_f)$ in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} (or in \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_1}).

PROOF. (i) If $g \in \mathfrak{M}(f)$, then, by Lemma 7.1, $\alpha_f \subset \alpha_g$.

(ii) Next, let b be any \aleph_1 -ideal in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} (or in \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_1}) such that $b \supset \alpha_f$. Then, by Lemma 7.3, there exists an element $g \in \mathfrak{M}(f)$ such that $b = \alpha_g$.

From (i) and (ii), the theorem is proved.

THEOREM 7.2. Class \mathfrak{R}_E of all α_f such that $f \in \mathfrak{F}$ is a dual \aleph_1 -ideal in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} ⁽²⁾. Especially when \mathfrak{F} is separable, \mathfrak{R}_E is a principal dual \aleph_1 -ideal in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} .

PROOF. There exists a system $(f_i; f_i \in \mathfrak{F}, i \in I)$ such that the closed linear manifolds $\mathfrak{M}(f_i)$ are mutually orthogonal and

(1) For, since $(g, E(a)f) = 0$ for all $a \in L$, $(E(b)g, E(a)f) = (g, E(b \wedge a)f) = 0$ for all $a, b \in L$.

(2) Or in \mathfrak{Q}_{\aleph_1} .

$$\mathfrak{G} = \sum_{i \in I} \oplus \mathfrak{M}(f_i)^{(1)}. \quad (1)$$

Since $\mathfrak{U}^*(a_{f_i})$ is a dual \aleph_1 -ideal in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} , if we apply Theorem 2.1* to \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} instead of L , then join $\mathfrak{B}^* = \sum (\mathfrak{U}^*(a_{f_i}); i \in I)$ is a dual \aleph_1 -ideal in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} .

Let g be any element in \mathfrak{G} , and g_i be the component of g in $\mathfrak{M}(f_i)$. Then $g_i = 0$ for all i except a denumerable subset I_1 of I . And $g = \sum_{i \in I_1} g_i$. Then $\|E(a)g\|^2 = \sum_{i \in I_1} \|E(a)g_i\|^2$. Hence $a_g = \Pi(a_{g_i}; i \in I_1)$. Since, by Theorem 7.1, $a_{g_i} \in \mathfrak{U}^*(a_{f_i}) \subset \mathfrak{B}^*$, we have $a_g \in \mathfrak{B}^*$. Consequently

$$\mathfrak{R}_E \subset \mathfrak{B}^*.$$

Next, let a be any element in \mathfrak{B}^* . Then, by Theorem 2.1*,

$$a = \Pi(a_{g_i}; a_{g_i} \in \mathfrak{U}^*(a_{f_i}), i \in I_1),$$

where I_1 is a denumerable subset of I . Put $g = \sum_{i \in I_1} a_i g_i$, where $(a_i; i \in I_1)$ is a system of complex numbers such that $\sum_{i \in I_1} a_i g_i$ converges. Then, since $\|E(a)g\|^2 = \sum_{i \in I_1} |a_i|^2 \|E(a)g_i\|^2$, we have $a_g = \Pi(a_{g_i}; i \in I_1)$. That is, $a = a_g$. Hence

$$\mathfrak{B}^* \subset \mathfrak{R}_E.$$

Consequently $\mathfrak{R}_E = \mathfrak{B}^*$, and the first part of the theorem is proved.

Especially when \mathfrak{G} is separable, then I in (1) is denumerable. Hence put $f = \sum_{i \in I} a_i f_i$, where $(a_i; i \in I)$ is a system of complex numbers such that $\sum_{i \in I} a_i f_i$ converges. Then, since $\|E(a)f\|^2 = \sum_{i \in I} |a_i|^2 \|E(a)f_i\|^2$, we have $a_f = \Pi(a_{f_i}; i \in I)$. And $\mathfrak{B}^* = \mathfrak{U}^*(a_f)$.

From Theorem 7.2, \mathfrak{R}_E is a generalized \aleph_1 -Boolean subalgebra of \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} with unit element e . And especially when \mathfrak{G} is separable, \mathfrak{R}_E is an \aleph_1 -Boolean subalgebra of \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} with zero and unit elements.

Let θ_E^* be the class of all dual \aleph_1 -ideals \mathfrak{U}^* in \mathfrak{R}_E . Since \mathfrak{R}_E is a dual \aleph_1 -ideal in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} , and, by Theorem 4.13, class $\mathcal{O}_{\aleph_1}^*$ of all dual \aleph_1 -ideals in \mathfrak{P}_{\aleph_1} is a continuous Boolean algebra, θ_E^* being the set of all dual \aleph -ideals \mathfrak{U}^* such that $\mathfrak{U}^* \subset \mathfrak{R}_E$, θ_E^* is also a continuous Boolean algebra.

THEOREM 7.3. *Let $\mathfrak{U}^* \in \theta_E^*$, and $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*}$ be the class of all elements $f \in \mathfrak{G}$ such that $a_f \in \mathfrak{U}^*$. Then $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*}$ is a closed linear manifold, and*

$$\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*} \perp \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^{*\vee}}, \quad \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*} \oplus \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^{*\vee}} = \mathfrak{G},$$

where $\mathfrak{U}^{*\vee}$ is the inverse of \mathfrak{U}^* .

PROOF. (i) Let $f \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*}$, $g \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^{*\vee}}$. Then $a_f \in \mathfrak{U}^*$, $a_g \in \mathfrak{U}^{*\vee}$. Since

(1) Give \mathfrak{G} a well-order type. We find the elements of $P = (f_i; f_i \in \mathfrak{G}, i \in I)$ by transfinite induction as follows: g belongs to P when, and only when, $\|g\| > 0$ and g is orthogonal to $\mathfrak{M}(f)$ for all $f \in P$ which have lower rank than g in the well-order type. Since $(E(a)f, E(b)g) = (E(a \wedge b)f, g) = 0$, $\mathfrak{M}(f)$ ($f \in P$) are mutually orthogonal. ($\sum_{i \in I} \oplus$ means the closed linear sum.)

$\mathfrak{U}^* \wedge \mathfrak{U}^{**} = \mathfrak{D}^*$, we have, by Theorem 2.1*, $\alpha_f \vee \alpha_g = e$. Hence, by Lemma 7.2, $f \perp g$. Consequently $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*} \perp \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^{**}}$.

(ii) Let g be any element in \mathfrak{S} such that $g \perp \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^{**}}$. Then $\mathfrak{U}^* \wedge \mathfrak{U}^*(\alpha_g) = \mathfrak{D}^*$. For if not, by Theorem 4.12 there exists $b \in \mathfrak{P}_{\mathfrak{N}}$ such that

$$\mathfrak{U}^* \wedge \mathfrak{U}^*(\alpha_g) = \mathfrak{U}^*(b).$$

Since $\mathfrak{U}^*(b) \subset \mathfrak{U}^*(\alpha_g)$, we have $b \supset \alpha_g$. Then, by Lemma 7.3, there exists an element $g_1 = E(c)g$ such that $b = \alpha_{g_1}$. Let f be any element in $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^{**}}$. Then, since $E(c)f \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^{**}}$, we have

$$(g_1, f) = (E(c)g, f) = (g, E(c)f) = 0.$$

Hence $g_1 \perp \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^{**}}$. But, since $\mathfrak{U}^*(b) \subset \mathfrak{U}^*$, we have $\alpha_{g_1} = b \in \mathfrak{U}^*$. Hence $g_1 \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*}$, which is absurd.

Consequently $\mathfrak{U}^*(\alpha_g) \subset \mathfrak{U}^*$,

that is, $\alpha_g \in \mathfrak{U}^*$. Hence, from (i), $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*}$ is composed of all elements g such that $g \perp \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^{**}}$. Therefore $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*}$ is a closed linear manifold.

(iii) Let h be any element in \mathfrak{S} . And put

$$h = f + g \quad \text{where} \quad f \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*}, g \perp \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*}.$$

By (ii), $g \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^{**}}$. Hence $\mathfrak{S} = \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*} \oplus \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^{**}}$.

THEOREM 7.4. $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*}$ defined for all $\mathfrak{U}^* \in \theta_E^*$ has the following properties:

- (i) $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*} \perp \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{B}^*}$ when $\mathfrak{U}^* \wedge \mathfrak{B}^* = \mathfrak{D}^*$,
- (ii) $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*} = \prod_{a \in I} \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}_a^*}$ when $\mathfrak{U}^* = \prod(\mathfrak{U}_a^*; a \in I)$,
- (iii) $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*} = \sum_{a \in I} \oplus \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}_a^*}$ when $\mathfrak{U}^* = \sum(\mathfrak{U}_a^*; a \in I)$,
- (iv) $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{D}^*} = 0^{(1)}$ and $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{E}^*} = \mathfrak{S}$,

where \mathfrak{D}^* and \mathfrak{E}^* are zero and unit elements of θ_E^* respectively.

PROOF. (i) If $\mathfrak{U}^* \wedge \mathfrak{B}^* = \mathfrak{D}^*$, then $\mathfrak{B}^* \subset \mathfrak{U}^{**}$ and $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{B}^*} \subset \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^{**}}$. Since, by Theorem 7.3, $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*} \perp \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^{**}}$, we have $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*} \perp \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{B}^*}$.

(ii) If $\mathfrak{U}^* = \prod(\mathfrak{U}_a^*; a \in I)$, then $\mathfrak{U}^* \subset \mathfrak{U}_a^*$ and $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*} \subset \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}_a^*}$ for all $a \in I$.

Hence $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*} \subset \prod_{a \in I} \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}_a^*}$. (1)

Let $f \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}_a^*}$ for all $a \in I$; that is, $\alpha_f \in \mathfrak{U}_a^*$ ($a \in I$). Then $\alpha_f \in \mathfrak{U}^*$. Consequently $f \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*}$. Therefore

$$\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*} \supset \prod_{a \in I} \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}_a^*}. \quad (2)$$

From (1) and (2), (ii) is proved.

(iii) If $\mathfrak{U}^* = \sum(\mathfrak{U}_a^*; a \in I)$, then $\mathfrak{U}^* \supset \mathfrak{U}_a^*$ and $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*} \supset \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}_a^*}$ for all $a \in I$.

Hence $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*} \supset \sum_{a \in I} \oplus \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}_a^*}$. (3)

Let f be any element orthogonal to all $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}_a^*}$ ($a \in I$). Then, by Theorem 7.3, $f \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}_a^{**}}$ for all $a \in I$. Since $\mathfrak{U}^{**} = \prod(\mathfrak{U}_a^{**}; a \in I)$, by (ii) $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^{**}} = \prod_{a \in I} \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}_a^{**}}$.

Hence $f \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^{**}}$. Therefore, by Theorem 7.3, $f \perp \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{U}^*}$. Consequently

(1) This means that $\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{D}^*}$ is composed of only one element 0 in \mathfrak{S} .

$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathfrak{A}^*} \subset \sum_{\alpha \in I} \oplus \mathcal{M}_{\mathfrak{A}_\alpha^*}. \quad (4)$$

From (3) and (4), (iii) is proved.

(iv) This is evident from the definition of $\mathcal{M}_{\mathfrak{A}^*}$.

8. By Theorem 7.4 $\mathcal{M}_{\mathfrak{A}^*}$ satisfies the following conditions:

- (a) $\mathcal{M}_{\mathfrak{A}^*} \perp \mathcal{M}_{\mathfrak{B}^*}$ when $\mathfrak{A}^* \wedge \mathfrak{B}^* = \mathfrak{D}^*$,
- (b) $\mathcal{M}_{\mathfrak{A}^*} = \sum_n \oplus \mathcal{M}_{\mathfrak{A}_n^*}$ when $\mathfrak{A}^* = \sum_n \oplus \mathfrak{A}_n^*$,
- (c) $\mathcal{M}_{\mathfrak{E}^*} = \mathfrak{E}$.

That is, $(\mathcal{M}_{\mathfrak{A}^*}; \mathfrak{A}^* \in \theta_E^*)$ is a complete orthogonal system of closed linear manifolds in \mathfrak{E} whose index is the element of the continuous Boolean algebra θ_E^* .⁽¹⁾ Let $F(\mathfrak{A}^*)$ be the projection of \mathfrak{E} on $\mathcal{M}_{\mathfrak{A}^*}$; then $F(\mathfrak{A}^*)$ satisfies the following conditions:

- (a) $F(\mathfrak{A}^*)F(\mathfrak{B}^*) = 0$ when $\mathfrak{A}^* \wedge \mathfrak{B}^* = \mathfrak{D}^*$,
- (b) $F(\mathfrak{A}^*) = F(\mathfrak{A}_1^*) + F(\mathfrak{A}_2^*) + \cdots + F(\mathfrak{A}_n^*) + \cdots$ when $\mathfrak{A}^* = \sum_n \oplus \mathfrak{A}_n^*$,
- (c) $F(\mathfrak{E}^*) = 1$.

As defined in Sec. 7, $F(\mathfrak{A}^*)$ is a resolution of identity in the generalized sense defined in θ_E^* . Thus, from a resolution of identity $E(a)$ defined in L , we obtain a resolution of identity $F(\mathfrak{A}^*)$ defined in θ_E^* . In what follows, I shall investigate the relation between $E(a)$ and $F(\mathfrak{A}^*)$.

THEOREM 8.1. Let \mathfrak{A}_b^* be the class of all $\alpha_f \in \mathfrak{R}_E$ such that $\alpha_f \supset a(b')$, where b' is the inverse of b . Then $\mathfrak{A}_b^* \in \theta_E^*$, and the system $(\mathfrak{A}_b^*; b \in L)$ is an \aleph_1 -Boolean algebra which is isomorphic to L with respect to the join and the meet of subsets of power $< \aleph_1$.

PROOF. (i) It is evident that \mathfrak{A}_b^* is a dual \aleph_1 -ideal in \mathfrak{R}_E , that is, $\mathfrak{A}_b^* \in \theta_E^*$.

(ii) If $b \supset c$, then $a(b') \subset a(c')$; hence $\mathfrak{A}_b^* \supset \mathfrak{A}_c^*$.

(iii) Let $b = \sum(c_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$; then $b' = \prod(c'_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$. Since $b \supset c_i$, by (ii) $\mathfrak{A}_b^* \supset \mathfrak{A}_{c_i}^*$ for all i . Hence

$$\mathfrak{A}_b^* \supset \sum(\mathfrak{A}_{c_i}^*; i=1, 2, \dots). \quad (1)$$

Next, let α_f be any element in \mathfrak{A}_b^* . Then, by Theorem 2.2,

$$\alpha_f \supset a(b') = \prod(a(c'_i); i=1, 2, \dots).$$

Put $b_i = \alpha_f \vee a(c'_i)$, and $E(c_i)f = g_i$; then, since $E(a)g_i = E(a)E(c_i)f = E(a \wedge c_i)f$, we have $\alpha_{g_i} = b_i \in \mathfrak{A}_{c_i}^*$. Now

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_f &= \alpha_f \vee \prod(a(c'_i); i=1, 2, \dots) = \prod(\alpha_f \vee a(c'_i); i=1, 2, \dots)^{(2)} \\ &= \prod(\alpha_{g_i}; i=1, 2, \dots). \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence} \quad \mathfrak{A}_b^* \subset \sum(\mathfrak{A}_{c_i}^*; i=1, 2, \dots)^{(3)}. \quad (2)$$

(1) Cf. F. Maeda [2], 111.

(2) By Theorem 2.1.

(3) By Theorem 2.1.*

From (1) and (2), we have

$$\mathfrak{A}_b^* = \sum (\mathfrak{A}_{c_i}^*; i=1, 2, \dots).$$

(iv) Let $b = \Pi(c_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$; then $b' = \sum(c_i'; i=1, 2, \dots)$. Since $b \subset c_i$, by (ii) $\mathfrak{A}_b^* \subset \mathfrak{A}_{c_i}^*$ for all i . Hence

$$\mathfrak{A}_b^* \subset \Pi(\mathfrak{A}_{c_i}^*; i=1, 2, \dots). \quad (3)$$

Next, let a_f be any element in $\Pi(\mathfrak{A}_{c_i}^*; i=1, 2, \dots)$. Then $a_f \supset a(c_i')$ for all i . Hence

$$a_f \supset \sum(a(c_i'); i=1, 2, \dots) = a(b').$$

Therefore

$$\mathfrak{A}_b^* \supset \Pi(\mathfrak{A}_{c_i}^*; i=1, 2, \dots). \quad (4)$$

From (3) and (4), $\mathfrak{A}_b^* = \Pi(\mathfrak{A}_{c_i}^*; i=1, 2, \dots)$.

(ii), (iii), (iv) show that the correspondence $b \leftrightarrow \mathfrak{A}_b^*$ between L and $(\mathfrak{A}_b^*; b \in L)$ is an isomorphism with respect to the join and the meet of subsets of power $< \aleph_1$.

THEOREM 8.2. $E(a)$ is imbedded in $F(\mathfrak{A}^*)$ in such a manner that

$$E(a) = F(\mathfrak{A}_a^*) \text{ for all } a \in L.$$

PROOF. Let $E(b)$ be the projection of \mathfrak{S} on the closed linear manifold \mathfrak{N}_b . If $f \in \mathfrak{N}_b$, then $E(b)f = f$ and

$$E(a)f = E(a)E(b)f = E(a \wedge b)f.$$

Hence $a_f \supset a(b')$, that is, $f \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{A}_b^*}$. Consequently

$$\mathfrak{N}_b \subset \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{A}_b^*}. \quad (1)$$

Next, if $f \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{A}_b^*}$, then $a_f \supset a(b')$. Hence $E(b')f = 0$, and $f \in \mathfrak{N}_b$. Consequently

$$\mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{A}_b^*} \subset \mathfrak{N}_b. \quad (2)$$

From (1) and (2), we have $\mathfrak{N}_b = \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{A}_b^*}$, which shows that $E(b) = F(\mathfrak{A}_b^*)$.

From Theorem 8.2, we may say that $F(\mathfrak{A}^*)$ is an extension of $E(a)$.⁽¹⁾

Direct Proof of Theorem 6.1.

9. In Sec. 6, we have Theorem 6.1 as a simple application of the general theory of ideals in a Boolean algebra. In what follows, I shall give a direct proof of this theorem, using the functional property of $\phi(a)$. For this purpose I shall first prove the following lemmas:

LEMMA 9.1. Let $\phi(a) \in \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1}$, and let b be an \aleph_1 -ideal such that $b \supset a_\phi$. Then there exists an element $b \in b$ such that, if we put $\phi^*(a) = \phi(a \wedge b')$, $\phi^{**}(a) = \phi(a \wedge b)$, b' being the inverse of b , then

(1) When L is a σ -field of Borel sets in the space of real numbers, $E(a)$ is a resolution of identity of a self-adjoint operator A . And in this case the extended resolution of identity $F(\mathfrak{A}^*)$ is useful for the investigation of the unitary invariance of A . (Cf. F. Wecken [1].)

$$\phi(a) = \phi^*(a) + \phi^{**}(a)$$

and

$$b = a_{\phi^*}, \quad a_{\phi^*} \vee a_{\phi^{**}} = e.$$

PROOF. Let a be the least upper bound of $\phi(a)$ for all a such that $a \in b$. Then there exists a sequence of elements $(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$ such that $a_i \in b$ and $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i) = a$. Put $b = \sum (a_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$. Then $b \in b$. Hence $\phi(b) \leq a$. Since $b \supset a_i$, $\phi(b) \geq \phi(a_i)$. Hence $\phi(b) \geq \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i) = a$. Consequently $\phi(b) = a$.

Let b' be the inverse of b . And put

$$\phi^*(a) = \phi(a \wedge b') \quad \text{and} \quad \phi^{**}(a) = \phi(a \wedge b). \quad (1)$$

Then it is evident that $\phi^*(a)$, $\phi^{**}(a)$ belong to \mathfrak{F}_{N_1} , and

$$\phi(a) = \phi^*(a) + \phi^{**}(a). \quad (2)$$

If $a_0 \in b$, then, since $a_0 \vee b \in b$, we have $\phi(a_0 \vee b) \leq a$. But $a = \phi(b) \leq \phi(a_0 \vee b)$. Hence $\phi(a_0 \vee b) = \phi(b)$. Now

$$\phi(a_0 \vee b) + \phi(a_0 \wedge b) = \phi(a_0) + \phi(b).$$

Hence $\phi(a_0 \wedge b) = \phi(a_0)$. And, by (1), $\phi^{**}(a_0) = \phi(a_0)$. Consequently, from (2), $\phi^*(a_0) = 0$. Hence

$$b \subset a_{\phi^*}. \quad (3)$$

Next we shall prove that $b \supset a_{\phi^*}$. For this purpose, let $\phi^*(a_0) = 0$; then, from (1), $\phi(a_0 \wedge b') = 0$; hence $a_0 \wedge b' \in a_{\phi^*} \subset b$. Since $a_0 \wedge b \in b$, we have $a_0 = (a_0 \wedge b') \vee (a_0 \wedge b) \in b$. Consequently

$$b \supset a_{\phi^*}. \quad (4)$$

From (3) and (4),

$$b = a_{\phi^*}.$$

Let a be any element in L ; then

$$a = (a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge b').$$

Since, by (1), $a \wedge b \in a_{\phi^*}$, $a \wedge b' \in a_{\phi^{**}}$, we have $a \in a_{\phi^*} \vee a_{\phi^{**}}$.

Hence

$$e = a_{\phi^*} \vee a_{\phi^{**}}.$$

LEMMA 9.2. When $\psi < \phi$, there exists an element b_ψ such that $b_\psi \in a_\psi$ and $\phi(b_\psi)$ is the least upper bound of $\phi(a)$ for all $a \in a_\psi$; and if we put

$$\phi_\psi^*(a) = \phi(a \wedge b_\psi'); \quad \phi_\psi^{**}(a) = \phi(a \wedge b_\psi),$$

then

$$\phi(a) = \phi_\psi^*(a) + \phi_\psi^{**}(a),^{(1)}$$

and

$$\psi \sim \phi_\psi^*, \quad \phi_\psi^* \wedge \phi_\psi^{**} \sim 0.^{(2)}$$

PROOF. Since $a_\psi \supset a_\phi$, if we put a_ψ instead of b , then the present lemma follows from Lemma 9.1.

(1) $\phi_\psi^*(a)$ and $\phi_\psi^{**}(a)$ correspond to the "Regularitätsfunktion" and "Singularitätsfunktion" of $\phi(a)$ with respect to $\psi(a)$ in the theory of set functions. Cf. H. Hahn, *Theorie der reellen Funktionen* I (1921), 421.

(2) 0 is the zero element in \mathfrak{F}_{N_1} .

DEFINITION 9.1. When $\psi < \phi$, the element b_ψ in Lemma 9.2 is called a basic element of ψ with respect to ϕ .⁽¹⁾

LEMMA 9.3. The basic element b_ψ of ψ with respect to ϕ has the following properties:

- (i) If $\psi_1 < \psi_2$, then $\phi(b_{\psi_1}) \geq \phi(b_{\psi_2})$.
- (ii) $\psi_1 < \psi_2$ is equivalent to $\phi(b'_{\psi_1} \wedge b_{\psi_2}) = 0$.
- (iii) If $\psi_1 < \psi_2$ and $\phi(b_{\psi_1}) = \phi(b_{\psi_2})$, then $\psi_1 \sim \psi_2$.

PROOF. (i) is evident, since $\phi(b_\psi)$ is the least upper bound of $\phi(a)$ for all $a \in \alpha_\psi$.

(ii) When $\psi_1 < \psi_2$, put $c = b'_{\psi_1} \wedge b_{\psi_2}$. Since $b_{\psi_1} \wedge c \subset b_{\psi_1} \wedge b'_{\psi_1} = 0$, we have

$$\phi(b_{\psi_1} \vee c) = \phi(b_{\psi_1}) + \phi(c).$$

Since $c \in \alpha_{\psi_2} \subset \alpha_{\psi_1}$, we have $b_{\psi_1} \vee c \in \alpha_{\psi_1}$. Hence, $\phi(b_{\psi_1})$ being the least upper bound of $\phi(a)$ for all $a \in \alpha_{\psi_1}$,

$$\phi(b_{\psi_1} \vee c) = \phi(b_{\psi_1}).$$

Consequently

$$\phi(c) = 0.$$

Next, assume that $\phi(b'_{\psi_1} \wedge b_{\psi_2}) = 0$. By Lemma 9.2,

$$\psi_1(a) \sim \phi_{\psi_1}^\times(a) = \phi(a \wedge b'_{\psi_1}), \quad \psi_2(a) \sim \phi_{\psi_2}^\times(a) = \phi(a \wedge b'_{\psi_2}).$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(a \wedge b'_{\psi_1}) &= \phi(a \wedge b'_{\psi_1} \wedge b_{\psi_2}) + \phi(a \wedge b'_{\psi_1} \wedge b'_{\psi_2}) \\ &\leq \phi(b'_{\psi_1} \wedge b_{\psi_2}) + \phi(a \wedge b'_{\psi_2}) = \phi(a \wedge b'_{\psi_2}). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, if $\phi_{\psi_2}(a) = 0$, then $\phi_{\psi_1}(a) = 0$. That is, $\psi_1 < \psi_2$.

(iii) If $\psi_1 < \psi_2$ and not $\psi_1 \sim \psi_2$, then there exists an element a such that $\phi_{\psi_1}(a) = 0$ but $\phi_{\psi_2}(a) \neq 0$, and $a \wedge b_{\psi_2} = 0$. Since $\psi_2 < \phi$, $\phi(a) \neq 0$, and since $\phi_{\psi_1}(a) = 0$, $\phi_1(b_{\psi_1} \vee a) = 0$. Hence, by the property of b_{ψ_1} we have

$$\phi(b_{\psi_1} \vee a) = \phi(b_{\psi_1}). \quad (1)$$

From $\psi_1 < \psi_2$, by (ii), $\phi(b'_{\psi_1} \wedge b_{\psi_2}) = 0$. Hence

$$\phi(b_{\psi_1} \wedge b_{\psi_2}) = \phi(b_{\psi_2}). \quad (2)$$

Now $\phi(a) \neq 0$ and $a \wedge b_{\psi_2} = 0$; we have, by (1) and (2),

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(b_{\psi_2}) &< \phi(b_{\psi_2}) + \phi(a) = \phi(b_{\psi_2} \vee a) \leq \phi(b_{\psi_1} \vee b_{\psi_2} \vee a) \\ &= \phi(b_{\psi_2}) + \phi(b_{\psi_1} \vee a) - \phi(b_{\psi_2} \wedge (b_{\psi_1} \vee a)) \\ &= \phi(b_{\psi_2}) + \phi(b_{\psi_1}) - \phi(b_{\psi_2} \wedge b_{\psi_1})^{(2)} = \phi(b_{\psi_1}). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, if $\phi(b_{\psi_1}) = \phi(b_{\psi_2})$, then it must follow that $\psi_1 \sim \psi_2$.

Direct Proof of Theorem 6.1. (i) It is evident that \mathfrak{S}_M is a partially ordered set with respect to the order $<$.

(1) If L is a σ -field of sets E , then $\phi(E)$, $\psi(E)$ are completely additive set functions, and when $\psi < \phi$, there exists a point function $f(x)$ such that $\phi(E) = \int_E f(x) d\phi(E)$. In this case, b_ψ corresponds to the set of all points x such that $f(x) = 0$.

(2) For $b_{\psi_2} \wedge (b_{\psi_1} \vee a) = (b_{\psi_2} \wedge b_{\psi_1}) \vee (b_{\psi_2} \wedge a) = b_{\psi_2} \vee b_{\psi_1}$.

(ii) Let $S=(\phi_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$ be a denumerable subset of \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} . Put $\phi(a)=\sum_i \frac{\phi_i(a)}{2^i \phi_i(1)}$; then $\phi(a) \in \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1}$. And $\phi(a)=0$ when, and only when, $\phi_i(a)=0$ for all i . Hence

$$a_\phi = \Pi(a_{\phi_i}; i=1, 2, \dots) \quad \text{and} \quad \phi \sim \sum(\phi_i; i=1, 2, \dots).$$

Especially

$$\phi_1 \vee \phi_2 \sim \phi_1 + \phi_2. \quad (1)$$

Let $S=(\phi_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$ be a denumerable subset of \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} . Then, by Theorem 2.1, $b=\sum(a_{\phi_i}; i=1, 2, \dots)$ is an \aleph_1 -ideal in L , and $b \supset a_\phi$. By Lemma 9.1, there exists a function $\psi \in \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1}$, such that $b=a_\psi$. And

$$\psi \sim \Pi(\phi_i; i=1, 2, \dots).^{(1)}$$

(iii) Let $\phi \in \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1}$ and $S=(\phi_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$ be any denumerable subset of \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} . Then, by Theorem 2.1,

$$a_\phi \wedge \sum(a_{\phi_i}; i=1, 2, \dots) = \sum(a_\phi \wedge a_{\phi_i}; i=1, 2, \dots).$$

This means that $\phi \vee \Pi(\phi_i; i=1, 2, \dots) \sim \Pi(\phi \vee \phi_i; i=1, 2, \dots).$ ⁽²⁾

Similarly, $\phi \wedge \sum(\phi_i; i=1, 2, \dots) \sim \sum(\phi \wedge \phi_i; i=1, 2, \dots).$

Thus the distributive law in the generalized sense holds good.

(iv) Let ϕ, ψ be such that $\psi < \phi$. Then, by Lemma 9.2, there exist $\phi_\phi^*(a), \phi_\psi^*(a)$ such that

$$\phi(a) = \phi_\phi^*(a) + \phi_\psi^*(a),$$

and $\phi_\phi^* \sim \phi$, $\phi_\psi^* \wedge \phi_\phi^* \sim 0$. By (1), we have

$$\psi \vee \phi_\phi^* \sim \phi, \quad \psi \wedge \phi_\phi^* \sim 0. \quad (2)$$

Hence ϕ_ϕ^* is the inverse of ψ in ϕ .

When $\chi < \psi < \phi$. Put $\xi = \phi_\phi^* + \chi$. Then we have, from (2),

$$\phi \sim \phi \vee \chi \sim (\psi \vee \phi_\phi^*) \vee \chi \sim \psi \vee \xi,$$

and

$$\chi \sim 0 \vee \chi \sim (\psi \wedge \phi_\phi^*) \vee \chi \sim \psi \wedge \xi, \quad \text{by (iii).}$$

Hence \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} is complemented in the generalized sense.

Thus \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} is a generalized \aleph_1 -Boolean algebra with zero element.

(v) To prove that class \mathcal{P}_{\aleph_1} of all \aleph_1 -ideals in \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} is a continuous Boolean algebra, by Theorem 2.4 it is sufficient to show that every \aleph_1 -ideal \mathfrak{B} in \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} contained in a principal \aleph_1 -ideal $a(\phi)$ is also principal.

If $\psi \in \mathfrak{B}$, then $\psi < \phi$. Let a be the greatest lower bound of $\phi(b_\psi)$ for all $\psi \in \mathfrak{B}$. Then there exists a sequence $(\psi_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$ such that $\psi_i \in \mathfrak{B}$ and $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(b_{\psi_i}) = a$. Put $\sum(\psi_i; i=1, 2, \dots) = \chi$. Then $\chi \in \mathfrak{B}$ and $\psi_i < \chi$. Hence $\phi(b_{\psi_i}) \geq \phi(b_\chi)$ for all i . Consequently $a \geq \phi(b_\chi)$. On the other hand, since $\chi \in \mathfrak{B}$, by the definition of a $\phi(b_\chi) \geq a$. Therefore $\phi(b_\chi) = a$.

(1) This proof holds good for any subset S of \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} . Hence \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} is closed with respect to the meet of any subset of \mathfrak{F}_{\aleph_1} .

(2) This relation holds good when the power of S is $\geq \aleph_1$. Cf. Theorem 2.1, and footnote above.

Next, let ϕ be any element in \mathfrak{B} . And put $\xi(a) = \chi(a) + \phi(a)$. From $\xi \in \mathfrak{B}$, we have $\phi(b_\xi) \geq a$. And from $\xi > \chi$, we have $\phi(b_\xi) \leq \phi(b_\chi) = a$. Consequently $\phi(b_\xi) = \phi(b_\chi)$. Hence, by Lemma 9.3 (iii), $\xi \sim \chi$. Since $\xi \sim \chi \vee \phi$, we have $\chi > \phi$. Therefore \mathfrak{B} is a principal \aleph_1 -ideal $\mathfrak{A}(\chi)$.

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