

# Lattice Functions and Lattice Structure.

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G. Birkhoff<sup>(1)</sup> has proved that if in a lattice  $L$  a dimension function is defined, then  $L$  is a modular lattice. And J. v. Neumann<sup>(2)</sup> says that if in a complemented continuous lattice  $L$  a unique dimension function which has some particular properties is defined, then  $L$  is a continuous geometry. These are remarkable facts, which show that the dimension function restricts the structure of the lattice.

In the present paper I investigate this problem in a general way. Let  $L$  be a lattice, and a real valued function  $\phi(a)$  be defined for all  $a \in L$ ; thus we may say that  $\phi(a)$  is a lattice function. The properties of this lattice function  $\phi(a)$  may be given in the following way:

(i)  $\phi(a)$  is additive when

$$\phi(a \cup b) + \phi(a \cap b) = \phi(a) + \phi(b).$$

(ii)  $\phi(a)$  is completely additive when

$$\phi\left(\sum(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots)\right) = \sum_i \phi(a_i)$$

for any independent system  $(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$ .

(iii)  $\phi(a)$  is non-decreasing when

$$a < b \text{ implies } \phi(a) \leq \phi(b).$$

(iv)  $\phi(a)$  is increasing when

$$a < b \text{ implies } \phi(a) < \phi(b).$$

I first investigate the relations between the increasing and the non-decreasing properties of the additive function  $\phi(a)$  and the struc-

(1) G. Birkhoff [1], 744. The numbers in square brackets refer to the list given at the end of this paper.

(2) J. v. Neumann [1], 99.

ture of  $L$ . If  $\phi(a)$  is increasing, then  $L$  is modular, and  $L$  is a metric space with respect to the distance  $\delta(a, b) = \phi(a \cup b) - \phi(a \cap b)$ . When  $\phi(a)$  is non-decreasing, I consider the system of equivalence classes. When  $\delta(a, b) = 0$ , we write  $a \equiv b$ , and denote by  $A_a$  the class of all elements  $x$  such that  $x \equiv a$ . Then the system  $(A_a; a \in L)$  is a modular lattice in which an increasing additive lattice function is defined.

Next I investigate the relation between the complete additivity of the lattice function and the structure of the lattice. The following properties of the lattice :

$$\Pi(a_i \cup b; i=1, 2, \dots) = \Pi(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots) \cup b$$

$$\text{when } a_1 \geqq a_2 \geqq \dots \geqq a_i \geqq \dots,$$

$$\text{and } \sum(a_i \cap b; i=1, 2, \dots) = \sum(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots) \cap b$$

$$\text{when } a_1 \leqq a_2 \leqq \dots \leqq a_i \leqq \dots$$

are closely connected with the complete additivity of the lattice function.

Lastly I investigate the relation between the completeness of  $L$  with respect to the metric  $\delta(a, b) = \phi(a \cup b) - \phi(a \cap b)$  and the structure of  $L$ . If  $L$  is an irreducible complemented  $\aleph_1$ -lattice, then  $L$  is a continuous geometry when, and only when,  $L$  is complete with respect to the metric  $\delta(a, b)$ .

### 1. First I shall give axioms and definitions concerning the lattice.<sup>(1)</sup>

Let a class  $L$  of elements  $a, b, c, \dots$  be *partially ordered*, that is, a relation  $a < b$  (written equivalently  $b > a$ ) holds good for certain pairs of elements of  $L$  in such a way that

- (I<sub>1</sub>) Never is  $a < a$ ;
- (I<sub>2</sub>)  $a < b, b < c$  together imply  $a < c$ .

We write  $a \leqq b$  when  $a < b$  or  $a = b$ .

If  $\aleph$  is a (finite or infinite) cardinal number, then we say that  $L$  is an  $\aleph$ -lattice if the following axiom holds good :

(II<sub>1</sub>) For every set  $S \subseteq L$  of power  $< \aleph$  there is an element  $\sum(S)$  in  $L$  which is a *least upper bound* or *join* of  $S$ , i. e.

- (a)  $\sum(S) \geqq a$  for every  $a \in S$ ,
- (b)  $x \geqq a$  for every  $a \in S$  implies  $x \geqq \sum(S)$ .

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(1) For details, cf. J. v. Neumann [1], 94–96; [3], 1–3; [5], 5–6.

(II<sub>2</sub>) For every set  $S \subseteq L$  of power  $<\aleph$  there is an element  $\Pi(S)$  in  $L$  which is a *greatest lower bound* or *meet* of  $S$ , i.e.

- (a)  $\Pi(S) \leq a$  for every  $a \in S$ ,
- (b)  $x \leq a$  for every  $a \in S$  implies  $x \leq \Pi(S)$ .

When  $S = (a, b)$ , we write  $\sum(S) = a \cup b$ ,  $\Pi(S) = a \cap b$ . If  $\aleph >$  power of  $L$ , then the  $\aleph$ -lattice is called a *continuous lattice*.

In an  $\aleph_1$ -lattice  $L$ , we can introduce a limit of the sequence  $(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$  as follows:

$$\overline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i = \Pi(\sum(a_i; i=p, p+1, \dots); p=1, 2, \dots),$$

$$\underline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i = \sum(\Pi(a_i; i=p, p+1, \dots); p=1, 2, \dots).$$

Of course,

$$\overline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i \geqq \underline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i.$$

If  $\overline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i = \underline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i = a$ , then we say that  $(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$  converges to  $a$ , and we write

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i = a.$$

Especially if  $a_1 \geqq a_2 \geqq \dots \geqq a_i \geqq \dots$ , then

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i = \Pi(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots),$$

and if  $a_1 \leqq a_2 \leqq \dots \leqq a_i \leqq \dots$ , then

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i = \sum(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots).$$

If an  $\aleph$ -lattice  $L$  satisfies the following axiom, then we say that  $L$  is a *complemented*  $\aleph$ -lattice.

(III) For any three elements  $a, b, c$ , such that  $a \leqq b \leqq c$ , there exists an element  $x$  such that

$$b \cup x = c, \quad b \cap x = a.$$

If an  $\aleph$ -lattice  $L$  satisfies the following axiom, then we say that  $L$  is a *modular*  $\aleph$ -lattice.

(IV)  $a \leqq c$  implies  $(a \cup b) \cap c = a \cup (b \cap c)$ .

In an  $\aleph$ -lattice  $L$ , if there exist elements 0 and 1 such that

$$0 \leqq a \leqq 1 \text{ for all } a \in L,$$

then we call 0 and 1 *zero* and *unit elements* respectively. In a continuous lattice the zero and unit elements always exist, i. e.

$$0 = \Pi(L), \quad 1 = \Sigma(L).$$

In a complemented  $\aleph$ -lattice with the zero element, the element  $x$  which satisfies

$$a \cup x = b, \quad a \cap x = 0,$$

is called the *inverse of a in b*. Especially when  $b = 1$ ,  $x$  is called the *inverse of a*.

If an  $\aleph$ -lattice  $L$  with zero and unit elements satisfies the following axiom, then we say that  $L$  is an *irreducible*  $\aleph$ -lattice.

(V) If  $a$  has a unique inverse, then  $a$  is either 0 or 1.

In an  $\aleph$ -lattice  $L$  with the zero element, let  $(a_\sigma; \sigma \in I)$  be a subset of  $L$  of power  $< \aleph$ . If

$$\sum(a_\sigma; \sigma \in J) \cap \sum(a_\sigma; \sigma \in K) = 0$$

for every pair of non-intersecting subsets  $J, K$ , of  $I$ , then we say that  $(a_\sigma; \sigma \in I)$  is *independent*, and we write  $(a_\sigma; \sigma \in I) \perp$ .

**2.** If to any element  $a$  of an  $\aleph$ -lattice  $L$  there corresponds a real number  $\phi(a)$ , then we call  $\phi(a)$  a *lattice function*.

If  $\phi(a)$  satisfies the following relation

$$\phi(a \cup b) + \phi(a \cap b) = \phi(a) + \phi(b),$$

then we say that  $\phi(a)$  is *additive*.

If  $a < c$  implies  $\phi(a) \leq \phi(c)$ ,

then we say that  $\phi(a)$  is *non-decreasing*; and if

$$a < c \text{ implies } \phi(a) < \phi(c),$$

then we say that  $\phi(a)$  is *increasing*.

**THEOREM 2·1.** *If an increasing additive function  $\phi(a)$  is defined in an  $\aleph_0$ -lattice  $L$ , then  $L$  is modular.*

**PROOF.**<sup>(1)</sup> When  $a \leqq c$ , it is evident that

$$(a \cup b) \cap c \geqq a \cup (b \cap c).$$

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(1) This proof is due to G. Birkhoff [1], 744,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, } \phi[(a \cup b) \cap c] &= \phi(a \cup b) + \phi(c) - \phi(a \cup b \cup c) \\
 &= \phi(a) + \phi(b) - \phi(a \cap b) + \phi(c) - \phi(b \cup c) \\
 &= \phi(a) - \phi(a \cap b) + \phi(b \cap c) \quad \xrightarrow{(a \leq c \Rightarrow a = a \cap c)} \\
 &= \phi(a) - \phi[a \cap (b \cap c)] + \phi(b \cap c) = \phi[a \cup (b \cap c)].
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by the increasing property of  $\phi(a)$ , we have

$$(a \cup b) \cap c = a \cup (b \cap c).$$

**LEMMA 2·1.** When a non-decreasing additive function  $\phi(a)$  is defined in an  $\aleph_0$ -lattice  $L$ , put  $\delta(a, b) = \phi(a \cup b) - \phi(a \cap b)$ . Then

$$\delta(a, c) \leqq \delta(a, b) + \delta(b, c).$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{PROOF. } \delta(a, b) + \delta(b, c) - \delta(a, c) &= \phi(a \cup b) - \phi(a \cap b) + \phi(b \cup c) - \phi(b \cap c) \\
 &\quad - \phi(a \cup c) + \phi(a \cap c) \\
 &= 2\{\phi(b) + \phi(a \cap c) - \phi(a \cap b) - \phi(b \cap c)\} \\
 &= 2\{\phi[b \cup (a \cap c)] - \phi[(a \cap b) \cup (b \cap c)]\} \geqq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

for

$$b \cup (a \cap c) \geqq (a \cap b) \cup (b \cap c).$$

**THEOREM 2·2.** If an increasing additive function  $\phi(a)$  is defined in an  $\aleph_0$ -lattice  $L$ , then  $L$  is a metric space with the distance  $\delta(a, b)$ .<sup>(1)</sup>

**PROOF.** By the definition of  $\delta(a, b)$  we have

$$(i) \quad \delta(a, b) = \delta(b, a);$$

and by the increasing property of  $\phi(a)$  we have

$$(ii) \quad \delta(a, b) = 0 \text{ when, and only when, } a = b;$$

and by Lemma 2·1 we have

$$(iii) \quad \delta(a, c) \geqq \delta(a, b) + \delta(b, c).$$

Hence  $\delta(a, b)$  defines a metric in  $L$ .

Theorems 2·1 and 2·2 show that when  $\phi(a)$  is increasing, then  $L$

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(1) J. v. Neumann introduced the metric  $\delta(a, b) = D(a \cup b) - D(a \cap b)$  into continuous geometry. (Cf. J. v. Neumann [2], 106.)

is modular and metric. In the next section I shall investigate the case where  $\phi(a)$  is non-decreasing.

**3.** Let  $L$  be a complemented  $\aleph_0$ -lattice with the zero element. In  $L$  a *non-decreasing* additive function  $\phi(a)$  is defined.<sup>(1)</sup> When  $\delta(a, b)=0$ , we write  $a\equiv b$ .

**LEMMA 3·1.** *The relation  $\equiv$  is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.*

**PROOF.** By definition,  $\equiv$  is reflexive and symmetric. By Lemma 2·1, if  $a\equiv b$ ,  $b\equiv c$ , then  $a\equiv c$ ; that is,  $\equiv$  is transitive.

**LEMMA 3·2.**  *$a\equiv b$  when, and only when,  $\phi(a)=\phi(b)=\phi(a\cup b)=\phi(a\cap b)$ .*

**PROOF.** Assume that  $a\equiv b$ . Then  $\phi(a\cup b)=\phi(a\cap b)$ . Since  $a\cup b\geq a\geq a\cap b$ , we have  $\phi(a\cup b)\geq\phi(a)\geq\phi(a\cap b)$ . Hence  $\phi(a\cup b)=\phi(a)=\phi(a\cap b)$ . Similarly for  $\phi(b)$ . The converse assertion is evident from the definition of  $\delta(a, b)$ .

**LEMMA 3·3.**  *$a\equiv b$  when, and only when, there exist  $u, v$  such that  $a\cup u=b\cup v$  and  $\phi(u)=\phi(v)=\phi(0)$ .*

**PROOF.** Sufficiency.

$$\delta(a\cup u, a)=\phi(a\cup u)-\phi(a)=\phi(u)-\phi(a\cap u).$$

Since  $0\leq a\cap u\leq u$  and  $\phi(0)\leq\phi(a\cap u)\leq\phi(u)$ ,

we have  $\phi(0)=\phi(a\cap u)=\phi(u)$ .

Hence  $\delta(a\cup u, a)=0$ , that is  $\underline{a\cup u\equiv a}$ .

Similarly  $b\cup v\equiv b$ . Hence, by Lemma 3·1,  $a\equiv b$ .

Necessity. Assume that  $a\equiv b$ , and let  $u$  be an inverse of  $a$  in  $a\cup b$ , that is,

$$a\cup u=a\cup b, \quad a\cap u=0.$$

Then  $\phi(a\cup b)=\phi(a)+\phi(u)-\phi(0)$ .

Since, by Lemma 3·2,  $\phi(a\cup b)=\phi(a)$ , we have  $\phi(u)=\phi(0)$ . Similarly there exists  $v$  such that  $a\cup v=a\cup b$  and  $\phi(v)=\phi(0)$ .

**LEMMA 3·4.** *If  $a\equiv b$ ,  $a_1\equiv b_1$ , then  $a\cup a_1\equiv b\cup b_1$ ,  $a\cap a_1\equiv b\cap b_1$ .*

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(1) In this case,  $\psi(a)=\phi(a)-\phi(0)$  is also a non-decreasing additive function with the properties:  $\psi(0)=0$ ,  $\psi(a)\geq 0$  for all  $a\in L$ . We may use  $\psi(a)$  instead of  $\phi(a)$ .

**PROOF.** By Lemma 3·3, there exist  $u, v, u_1, v_1$ , such that  $a \cup u = b \cup v$ ,  $a_1 \cup u_1 = b_1 \cup v_1$ , and  $\phi(u) = \phi(v) = \phi(u_1) = \phi(v_1) = \phi(0)$ . Then

$$a \cup a_1 \cup u \cup u_1 = b \cup b_1 \cup v \cup v_1. \quad \phi(a) \leq \phi(u \cup u_1) \leq \\ \phi(u) + \phi(u_1) - \phi(u \cap u_1) = \phi(0).$$

Since  $\phi(u \cup u_1) = \phi(u) + \phi(u_1) - \phi(u \cap u_1) = \phi(0)$ , and similarly  $\phi(v \cup v_1) = \phi(0)$ , by Lemma 3·3 we have

$$a \cup a_1 \equiv b \cup b_1.$$

$$\text{Next, } a \cap a_1 \leq (a \cup u) \cap (a_1 \cup u_1).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{And } \phi\{(a \cup u) \cap (a_1 \cup u_1)\} &= \phi(a \cup u) + \phi(a_1 \cup u_1) - \phi\{(a \cup a_1) \cup (u \cup u_1)\} \\ &= \phi(a) + \phi(a_1) - \phi(a \cup a_1) = \phi(a \cap a_1). \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence } a \cap a_1 \equiv (a \cup u) \cap (a_1 \cup u_1).$$

$$\text{Similarly } b \cap b_1 \equiv (b \cup v) \cap (b_1 \cup v_1).$$

$$\text{Consequently } a \cap a_1 \equiv b \cap b_1.$$

Let  $A_a$  denote the class of all elements  $x$  such that  $x \equiv a$ , and let  $\mathfrak{L}$  denote the class of all  $A_a$ ,  $a \in L$ . Then, by Lemma 3·1, the system  $(A_a; a \in L)$  is a mutually exclusive and exhaustive partition of  $L$  into subclasses.<sup>(1)</sup> We denote the elements of  $\mathfrak{L}$  by  $A, B, C, \dots$  and give the order of elements in  $\mathfrak{L}$  as follows:  $A \leqq B$  means the existence of  $a \in A, b \in B$  with  $a \leqq b$ .  $A < B$  means  $A \leqq B, A \neq B$ .

Since  $\phi(a)$  is unique for every  $a \in A$ , we denote this value by  $\phi(A)$ . If  $A < B$ , then  $\phi(A) < \phi(B)$ . That is,  $\phi(A)$  is an increasing function defined in  $\mathfrak{L}$ .

**LEMMA 3·5.** When  $A \leqq B$ , for every  $a \in A, b \in B$ , there exists  $u$  such that  $a \leqq b \cup u$ ,  $\phi(u) = \phi(0)$  and  $b \cup u \in B$ .

**PROOF.** Since  $A \leqq B$ , there exist  $a_1 \in A, b_1 \in B$  such that  $a_1 \leqq b_1$ . Since  $a \equiv a_1, b \equiv b_1$ , by Lemma 3·3 there exist  $u_1, u_2, v_1, v_2$ , such that

$$a \cup u_1 = a_1 \cup u_2, \quad b \cup v_1 = b_1 \cup v_2, \quad \phi(u_1) = \phi(u_2) = \phi(v_1) = \phi(v_2) = \phi(0).$$

Put  $u = v_1 \cup u_2$ , since  $\phi(v_1 \cup u_2) = \phi(0)$ ,  $b \cup u$  belongs to  $B$  and

$$a \leqq a_1 \cup u_2 \leqq b_1 \cup u_2 \leqq b \cup v_1 \cup u_2 = b \cup u.$$

(1) J. v. Neumann has investigated similar partitions when  $L$  is a Boolean algebra. (Cf. J. v. Neumann [5], 10.)

**THEOREM 3·1.** *If  $L$  is a complemented  $\aleph_0$ -lattice with the zero element and  $\phi(a)$  is a non-decreasing additive function defined in  $L$ , then  $\mathfrak{L}=(A_a; a \in L)$  is a complemented  $\aleph_0$ -lattice with the zero element, and  $\phi(A)$  is an increasing additive function defined in  $\mathfrak{L}$ .*

**PROOF.** (i) Since  $A < A$  is impossible, by the definition of  $<$ , we need only prove that the relation  $<$  is transitive. Let  $A < B, B < C$ ; then  $A \leqq B, B \leqq C$ . Hence, by Lemma 3·5, there exist  $a \in A, b \in B, c \in C$ , such that  $a \leqq b, b \leqq c$ . Hence  $a \leqq c$ . Therefore  $A \leqq C$ . Since  $\phi(A) < \phi(B) < \phi(C)$ , we have  $A < C$ .

(ii) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be any two elements in  $\mathfrak{L}$ , with  $a \in A, b \in B$  such that  $A = A_a, B = A_b$ . Then

$$A_{a \cap b} \leqq A_a, \quad A_{a \cap b} \leqq A_b.$$

Suppose now that  $C \leqq A_a, C \leqq A_b$ . And let  $c \in C$ . Then, by Lemma 3·5, there exist  $a_1, b_1$ , such that

$$c \leqq a_1, \quad c \leqq b_1 \quad \text{and} \quad a_1 \equiv a, \quad b_1 \equiv b.$$

Then  $c \leqq a_1 \cap b_1$ , and, by Lemma 3·4,  $a_1 \cap b_1 \equiv a \cap b$ . Hence  $C \leqq A_{a \cap b}$ .

Consequently

$$A_a \cap A_b = A_{a \cap b}. \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Next,} \quad A_a \leqq A_{a \cup b}, \quad A_b \leqq A_{a \cup b}.$$

Suppose that  $A_a \leqq C, A_b \leqq C$ . And let  $c \in C$ . Then, by Lemma 3·5, there exist  $u, v$ , such that  $a \leqq c \cup u, b \leqq c \cup v$  and  $\phi(u) = \phi(v) = \phi(0)$ . Put  $c_1 = c \cup u \cup v$ ; then  $a \leqq c_1, b \leqq c_1$ ; and since  $\phi(u \cup v) = \phi(0)$ ,  $c_1$  belongs to  $C$ . Hence  $a \cup b \leqq c_1$ , and  $A_{a \cup b} \leqq C$ .

Consequently we have  $A_a \cup A_b = A_{a \cup b}$ . (2)

Thus  $\mathfrak{L}$  is an  $\aleph_0$ -lattice.

(iii). In  $\mathfrak{L}$ ,  $A_0$  is the zero element. Let  $A, B, C$ , be any elements in  $\mathfrak{L}$  such that  $A \leqq B \leqq C$ . Then, by Lemma 3·5, there exist  $a, b, c$ , such that  $A = A_a, B = A_b, C = A_c$ , and  $a \leqq b \leqq c$ . Let  $x$  be an element such that

$$b \cup x = c, \quad b \cap x = a.$$

Then, by (1) and (ii),  $A_b \cup A_x = A_c, A_b \cap A_x = A_a$ .

Hence  $\mathfrak{L}$  is complemented.

(iv) The increasing property of  $\phi(A)$  follows from the definition.

of  $\phi(A)$ . Next, let  $A, B$  be any two elements in  $\mathfrak{L}$ , and let  $A=A_a$ ,  $B=A_b$ . Then, by (1) and (2),

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(A \cup B) + \phi(A \cap B) &= \phi(A_{a \cup b}) + \phi(A_{a \cap b}) = \phi(a \cup b) + \phi(a \cap b) \\ &= \phi(a) + \phi(b) = \phi(A_a) + \phi(B_b) = \phi(A) + \phi(B).\end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\phi(A)$  is additive.

From Theorem 3·1, when  $L$  is an  $\aleph_0$ -lattice with a *non-decreasing* additive function, we can convert  $L$  into an  $\aleph_0$ -lattice  $\mathfrak{L}$  with an *increasing* additive function. From Theorem 2·1 and 2·2,  $\mathfrak{L}$  is modular and metric. But especially when  $L$  is *distributive*, that is,

$$a \cap (b \cup c) = (a \cap b) \cup (a \cap c),$$

then  $\mathfrak{L}$  is also *distributive*.<sup>(1)</sup> For, let  $A=A_a$ ,  $B=A_b$ ,  $C=A_c$ . Then, by (1) and (2),

$$\begin{aligned}A_a \cap (A_b \cup A_c) &= A_a \cap A_{b \cup c} = A_{a \cap (b \cup c)} = A_{(a \cap b) \cup (a \cap c)} = A_{a \cap b} \cup A_{a \cap c} \\ &= (A_a \cap A_b) \cup (A_a \cap A_c).\end{aligned}$$

**4.** Let  $L$  be an  $\aleph_1$ -lattice with the zero element, and  $\phi(a)$  a lattice function defined in  $L$ . If, for every finite or infinite independent system  $(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$ ,

$$\phi\left(\sum_i (a_i; 1, 2, \dots)\right) = \sum_i \phi(a_i), \quad (1)$$

then we say that  $\phi(a)$  is *completely additive*.

**THEOREM 4·1.** *Let a lattice function  $\phi(a)$  be defined in a complemented  $\aleph_1$ -lattice  $L$  with the zero element. Then the following conditions (a) and (b) are equivalent.*

(a)  $\phi(a)$  is completely additive.

(b)  $\phi(a)$  is additive, that is  $\phi(a \cup b) + \phi(a \cap b) = \phi(a) + \phi(b)$ , and  $\phi(0) = 0$ , and  $\phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i)$  when  $a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \dots \leq a_i \leq \dots$ .

**PROOF.** (i) First assume that (a) holds good. Since  $(a, 0) \perp$ ,

we have  $\phi(a) = \phi(a \cup 0) = \phi(a) + \phi(0)$ .

Hence

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

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(1) Lebesgue measure defined for measurable sets with finite measure belongs to this case.

To prove the additivity, let  $c$  be an inverse of  $a \cap b$  in  $a$ ; that is,

Then

$$(a \cap b) \cup c = a, \quad (a \cap b) \cap c = 0.$$

and

$$c \cup b = c \cup [(a \cap b) \cup b] = a \cup b,$$

Hence, by (1), we have  $[(a \cap b) \vee c] \cdot b = ab \rightarrow ab \vee c \cdot b = ab \rightarrow cb \leq ab \rightarrow c \leq a$

$$\phi(a) = \phi(a \cap b) + \phi(c) \quad \text{and} \quad \phi(a \cup b) = \phi(c) + \phi(b).$$

Consequently  $\phi(a \cup b) + \phi(a \cap b) = \phi(a) + \phi(b)$ .

Next, when  $a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \dots \leq a_i \leq \dots$ ,

let  $a'_i$  be an inverse of  $a_i$  in  $a_{i+1}$ ; that is,

$$a_i \cup a'_i = a_{i+1}, \quad a_i \cap a'_i = 0.$$

Then  $(a_1 \cup a'_1 \cup a'_2 \cup \dots \cup a'_i) \cap a'_{i+1} = a_{i+1} \cap a'_{i+1} = 0$ .

Hence, for any  $i$ ,  $(a_1, a'_1, a'_2, \dots, a'_i) \perp$ .<sup>(1)</sup> Consequently  $(a_1, a'_1, a'_2, \dots, a'_i, \dots) \perp$ .<sup>(2)</sup>

And  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i = a_1 \cup a'_1 \cup a'_2 \cup \dots \cup a'_i \cup \dots$ .

Hence  $\phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) = \phi(a_1) + \phi(a'_1) + \dots + \phi(a'_i) + \dots = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i)$ .

(ii) Next assume that (β) holds good. And let  $(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots) \perp$ . Put  $b_n = \sum(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots, n)$ . Then  $b_1 \leq b_2 \leq \dots \leq b_n \leq \dots$ ,

and  $\phi(b_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \phi(a_i)$ .

Hence  $\phi(\sum(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots)) = \phi(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi(b_n) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \phi(a_i)$ .

Consequently  $\phi(a)$  is completely additive.

**THEOREM 4.2.** Let a complemented  $N_1$ -lattice  $L$  with the zero element satisfy the following condition:

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} (a_i \cup b) = (\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) \cup b \quad \text{when } a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_i \geq \dots \quad (2)$$

(1) J. v. Neumann [3], 11.

(2) J. v. Neumann [3], 12.

If  $\phi(a)$  is completely additive function defined in  $L$ , then

$$\phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i) \quad \text{when } a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_i \geq \dots \quad (3)$$

Especially when  $\phi(a)$  is completely additive and non-decreasing, then, for any sequence  $(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$ ,

$$\phi(\overline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) \geq \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i), \quad \phi(\underline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) \leq \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i);$$

and if  $(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$  converges, then

$$\phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i). \quad (4)$$

PROOF. (i) When  $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_i \geq \dots$ , put  $c = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i$ , and let  $a'_i$  be an inverse of  $a_i$  in  $a_{i-1}$ . That is,

$$a_i \cup a'_i = a_{i-1}, \quad a_i \cap a'_i = 0.$$

Then  $(c \cup a'_n \cup a'_{n-1} \cup \dots \cup a'_{n-i+1}) \cap a'_{n-i} \leq a_{n-i} \cap a'_{n-i} = 0$ .

Hence  $(c, a'_n, a'_{n-1}, \dots, a'_{n-i}) \perp$  for any  $n$  and  $i$ .<sup>(1)</sup> Therefore  $(c, a'_2, a'_3, \dots, a'_n, \dots) \perp$ .<sup>(2)</sup>

$$\begin{aligned} c \cup \sum(a'_n; n=2, 3, \dots) &= (\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) \cup \sum(a'_n; n=2, 3, \dots) \\ &= \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \{a_i \cup \sum(a'_n; n=2, 3, \dots)\} \quad \text{by (2)} \\ &= \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \{a_i \cup \sum(a'_n; n=2, 3, \dots, i)\} = a_1, \end{aligned}$$

for  $a_i \cup \sum(a'_n; n=2, 3, \dots, i) = a_1$  for all  $i$ .

$$\text{Hence } \phi(a_1) = \phi(c) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \phi(a'_n).$$

Since  $\phi(a_i) + \phi(a'_i) = \phi(a_{i-1})$  ( $i=2, 3, \dots$ ),

$$\text{we have } \phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) = \phi(c) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \{\phi(a_1) - \sum_{n=2}^i \phi(a'_n)\} = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i).$$

(ii) Next, assume that  $\phi(a)$  is non-decreasing, and let  $(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$  be any sequence. Put

$$b_i = \sum(a_p; p=i, i+1, \dots).$$

Then  $b_1 \geq b_2 \geq \dots \geq b_i \geq \dots$  and  $\overline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i = \lim b_i$ .

(1) J. v. Neumann [3], 11.

(2) J. v. Neumann [3], 12.

Hence, by (3),

$$\phi(\overline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i).$$

By the non-decreasing property of  $\phi(a)$ , since  $b_i \geqq a_i$ , we have

$$\phi(b_i) \geqq \phi(a_i).$$

Hence

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(b_i) \geqq \overline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i).$$

Consequently,

$$\phi(\overline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) \geqq \overline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i).$$

Similarly, from (β) of Theorem 4·1, we have

$$\phi(\underline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) \leqq \underline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i).$$

When  $(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$  converges,

$$\overline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i) \leqq \phi(\overline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) \leqq \underline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i).$$

Hence

$$\phi(\overline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i).$$

Since (3) and (4) are essential properties of the completely additive function, in order to treat such a function  $\phi(a)$  in a complemented  $\aleph_1$ -lattice  $L$  we must assume the condition :

$$\overline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} (a_i \cup b) = (\overline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) \cup b \quad \text{when } a_1 \geqq a_2 \geqq \dots \geqq a_i \geqq \dots$$

With respect to the dual condition :

$$\underline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} (a_i \cap b) = (\underline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) \cap b \quad \text{when } a_1 \leqq a_2 \leqq \dots \leqq a_i \leqq \dots$$

we have the following theorem :

**THEOREM 4·3.** *When a completely additive increasing function  $\phi(a)$  is defined in a complemented  $\aleph_1$ -lattice  $L$  with the zero element, then in  $L$  there obtains the following relation :*

$$\underline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} (a_i \cap b) = (\underline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) \cap b \quad \text{when } a_1 \leqq a_2 \leqq \dots \leqq a_i \leqq \dots$$

**PROOF.** When  $a_1 \leqq a_2 \leqq \dots \leqq a_i \leqq \dots$ , since  $a_i \cap b \leqq (\underline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) \cap b$ ,

we have

$$\underline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} (a_i \cap b) \leqq (\underline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) \cap b. \quad (5)$$

From Theorem 4·1, we have

$$\phi(\underline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i), \quad \phi\left(\underline{\lim}_{i \rightarrow \infty} (a_i \cap b)\right) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i \cap b).$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Hence } \phi\left(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} (a_i \cap b)\right) &= \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \{\phi(a_i) + \phi(b) + \phi(a_i \cup b)\} \\
 &= \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i) + \phi(b) + \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i \cup b) \\
 &= \phi\left(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i\right) + \phi(b) + \phi\left(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} (a_i \cup b)\right) \\
 &= \phi\left(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i\right) + \phi(b) + \phi\left(\left(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i\right) \cup b\right) = \phi\left(\left(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i\right) \cap b\right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, from the increasing property of  $\phi(a)$ , by (5) we have

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} (a_i \cap b) = \left(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i\right) \cap b.$$

**5. THEOREM 5·1.<sup>(1)</sup>** *If in an  $\aleph_1$ -lattice  $L$  an increasing additive function  $\phi(a)$  is defined, then the following two conditions (α), (β) are equivalent.*

- (α)  *$L$  is complete with respect to the metric  $\delta(a, b) = \phi(a \cup b) - \phi(a \cap b)$ .*
- (β) *If  $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_i \geq \dots$  or  $a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \dots \leq a_i \leq \dots$ , then  $\phi\left(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i\right) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i)$ .*

*Especially when  $L$  is a complemented  $\aleph_1$ -lattice with the zero element, and  $\phi(0) = 0$ , then (α) and (β) are equivalent to the following (γ):*

- (γ)  *$\phi(a)$  is completely additive in  $L$ , and*

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} (a_i \cup b) = \left(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i\right) \cup b \quad \text{when } a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_i \geq \dots$$

**PROOF.** (i)<sup>(2)</sup> First assume that (α) holds good, and let

$$a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_i \geq \dots$$

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(1) From this theorem we find that the continuous geometry is complete with respect to the metric  $\delta(a, b) = D(a \cup b) - D(a \cap b)$ . This fact is mentioned by J. v. Neumann. (Cf. J. v. Neumann [2], 107.)

(2) The inference (α)  $\rightarrow$  (β) may be stated in a slightly different form:

**THEOREM.** *If, in an  $\aleph_0$ -lattice  $L$  with zero and unit elements, an increasing additive function  $\phi(a)$  is defined, and  $L$  is complete with respect to the metric  $\delta(a, b)$ , then  $L$  is an  $\aleph_1$ -lattice; and if  $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_i \geq \dots$ , or  $a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \dots \leq a_i \leq \dots$ , then  $\phi\left(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i\right) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i)$ .*

**PROOF.** Let  $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_i \geq \dots$ ; then, as above, there exists an element  $a$  such that (3) and (4) hold good. Next, let  $b$  be any element such that  $b \leq a_i$  for all  $i$ . Then, by (3),  $a_i \geq a \cup b$  for all  $i$ . Hence  $\phi(a_i) \geq \phi(a \cup b) \geq \phi(a)$ . Consequently, by (4),  $a \cup b = a$ ; that is,  $a \geq b$ . Therefore  $a$  is effective as  $\Pi(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i$ , and, by (4),  $\phi\left(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i\right) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i)$ . Since  $\Pi(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$  exists when  $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_i \geq \dots$ ,  $\Pi(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$  exists for any set  $(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$ . Similarly for the dual case.

Since  $\phi(a_i) \geq \phi(a_j) \geq \phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i)$  when  $i < j$ , the sequence  $(\phi(a_i); i=1, 2, \dots)$  converges. Hence

$$\lim_{i, j \rightarrow \infty} [\phi(a_i) - \phi(a_j)] = 0.$$

Since  $\delta(a_i, a_j) = \phi(a_i) - \phi(a_j)$  ( $i < j$ ), and  $L$  is complete, there exists  $a \in L$ , such that

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \delta(a_i, a) = 0. \quad (1)$$

Now,  $\delta(a_i, a) = \phi(a_i \cup a) - \phi(a_i \cap a) \geq \phi(a) - \phi(a_i \cap a) \geq 0$ ,

and we have

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i \cap a) = \phi(a). \quad (2)$$

When  $i < j$ ,  $a_i \cap a \geq a_j \cap a$ . Consequently  $(\phi(a_i \cap a); i=1, 2, \dots)$  is a monotone non-increasing sequence, and

$$\phi(a_i \cap a) \leq \phi(a) \quad \text{for all } i.$$

Hence (2) is absurd unless  $\phi(a_i \cap a) = \phi(a)$  for all  $i$ , that is  $a_i \cap a = a$ ,

and

$$a_i \geq a \quad \text{for all } i. \quad (3)$$

Then, since

$$\delta(a_i, a) = \phi(a_i) - \phi(a),$$

by (1) we have

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i) = \phi(a). \quad (4)$$

Since, from (3),  $a_i \geq \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i \geq a$ , we have  $\phi(a_i) \geq \phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) \geq \phi(a)$ .

Hence, by (4),  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i = a$ , and  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i) = \phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i)$ .

Similarly we can prove the case where  $a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \dots \leq a_i \leq \dots$ . Consequently  $(\beta)$  holds good.

(ii) Next, assume that  $(\beta)$  holds good. Let  $(a_i; i=1, 2, \dots)$  be any sequence such that  $\lim_{i, j \rightarrow \infty} \delta(a_i, a_j) = 0$ . First I shall show that there exists a partial sequence  $(a_{n_\nu}; \nu=1, 2, \dots)$  which converges to an element  $a$ . Next I shall prove that  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \delta(a_i, a) = 0$ .

Since  $\delta(a_i, a_j) = \phi(a_i \cup a_j) - \phi(a_i \cap a_j)$ ,

we have  $0 \leq \phi(a_i \cup a_j) - \phi(a_i) \leq \delta(a_i, a_j)$ , (5)

$$0 \leq \phi(a_i) - \phi(a_i \cap a_j) \leq \delta(a_i, a_j). \quad (6)$$

Take  $n_1, n_2$ , such that

$$n_1 < n_2 \quad \text{and} \quad \delta(a_{n_1}, a_{n_2}) \leq \frac{1}{2}.$$

After taking  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_p$ , take  $n_{p+1}$  such that

$$n_p < n_{p+1} \quad \text{and} \quad \delta(a_{n_p}, a_{n_{p+1}}) \leq \frac{1}{2^p}. \quad (7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } & \phi(a_{n_\nu} \cup a_{n_{\nu+1}} \cup \dots \cup a_{n_{\nu+\mu+1}}) - \phi(a_{n_\nu} \cup a_{n_{\nu+1}} \cup \dots \cup a_{n_{\nu+\mu}}) \\ &= \phi(a_{n_{\nu+\mu+1}}) - \phi\{(a_{n_\nu} \cup a_{n_{\nu+1}} \cup \dots \cup a_{n_{\nu+\mu}}) \cap a_{n_{\nu+\mu+1}}\} \\ &\leq \phi(a_{n_{\nu+\mu+1}}) - \phi\{(a_{n_{\nu+1}} \cup a_{n_{\nu+2}} \cup \dots \cup a_{n_{\nu+\mu}}) \cap a_{n_{\nu+\mu+1}}\} \\ &= \phi(a_{n_{\nu+1}} \cup a_{n_{\nu+2}} \cup \dots \cup a_{n_{\nu+\mu+1}}) - \phi(a_{n_{\nu+1}} \cup a_{n_{\nu+2}} \cup \dots \cup a_{n_{\nu+\mu}}). \end{aligned}$$

Proceeding in this way, we have, by (5) and (7),

$$\begin{aligned} & \phi(a_{n_\nu} \cup a_{n_{\nu+1}} \cup \dots \cup a_{n_{\nu+\mu+1}}) - \phi(a_{n_\nu} \cup a_{n_{\nu+1}} \cup \dots \cup a_{n_{\nu+\mu}}) \\ &\leq \phi(a_{n_{\nu+\mu}} \cup a_{n_{\nu+\mu+1}}) - \phi(a_{n_{\nu+\mu}}) \leq \frac{1}{2^{\nu+\mu}}. \end{aligned}$$

Add these inequalities for  $\mu = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \eta$ ; then

$$\phi(a_{n_\nu} \cup a_{n_{\nu+1}} \cup \dots \cup a_{n_{\nu+\eta+1}}) - \phi(a_{n_\nu}) \leq \sum_{\mu=0}^{\eta} \frac{1}{2^{\nu+\mu}}.$$

Let  $\eta \rightarrow \infty$ ; then, by condition  $(\beta)$ , we have

$$\phi(a^{(\nu)}) - \phi(a_{n_\nu}) \leq \frac{1}{2^{\nu-1}}, \quad (8)$$

where  $a^{(\nu)} = \sum(a_{n_p}; p = \nu, \nu+1, \dots).$

Similarly, using (6) and (7), we have

$$\phi(a_{n_\nu}) - \phi(a_{(\nu)}) \leq \frac{1}{2^{\nu-1}}, \quad (9)$$

where  $a_{(\nu)} = \prod(a_{n_p}; p = \nu, \nu+1, \dots).$

By (8) and (9), we have

$$\phi(a^{(\nu)}) - \phi(a_{(\nu)}) \leq \frac{1}{2^{\nu-2}}. \quad (10)$$

Hence, by condition  $(\beta)$ ,

$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} a^{(\nu)} = \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} a_{(\nu)},$$

that is,  $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_\nu}$  exists. Put  $a = \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_\nu}$ . Since  $a_{(\nu)} \leqq a \leqq a^{(\nu)}$ , by (10) we have  $\delta(a^{(\nu)}, a) = \phi(a^{(\nu)}) - \phi(a) \leqq \phi(a^{(\nu)}) - \phi(a_{(\nu)}) \leqq \frac{1}{2^{\nu-2}}$ . (11)

For any given positive number  $\epsilon$ , there exists an integer  $I$  such that

$$\delta(a_i, a_j) < \epsilon \quad \text{for } i, j \geqq I. \quad (12)$$

Let  $\nu$  be such that  $\frac{1}{2^{\nu-2}} \leqq \epsilon$ . If we take  $n_p$  such that  $n_p \geqq I$ ,  $p \geqq \nu$ ,

$$\text{then } a_{(\nu)} \leqq a_{n_p} \leqq a^{(\nu)}.$$

Hence, by (10),

$$\delta(a^{(\nu)}, a_{n_p}) = \phi(a^{(\nu)}) - \phi(a_{n_p}) \leqq \phi(a^{(\nu)}) - \phi(a_{(\nu)}) \leqq \frac{1}{2^{\nu-2}}. \quad (13)$$

By (11), (12), and (13), we have

$$\delta(a_i, a) \leqq \delta(a_i, a_{n_p}) + \delta(a_{n_p}, a^{(\nu)}) + \delta(a^{(\nu)}, a) < 3\epsilon,$$

when  $i \geqq I$ . Consequently  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \delta(a_i, a) = 0$ .

Thus condition ( $\alpha$ ) holds good.

From (i) and (ii), ( $\alpha$ ) and ( $\beta$ ) are equivalent.

Next we shall prove the equivalency of ( $\beta$ ) and ( $\gamma$ ).

(iii) Assume that ( $\beta$ ) holds good. By Theorem 4·1,  $\phi(a)$  is completely additive. When  $a_1 \geqq a_2 \geqq \dots \geqq a_i \geqq \dots$ , from the relation  $\phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i)$  we can obtain

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} (a_i \cup b) = (\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) \cup b$$

by the method dual to the proof of Theorem 4·3.

Consequently, from ( $\beta$ ), ( $\gamma$ ) holds good.

(iv) Next assume that ( $\gamma$ ) holds good. Then, by Theorems 4·1 and 4·2, ( $\beta$ ) holds good.

From (iii) and (iv), ( $\beta$ ) and ( $\gamma$ ) are equivalent.

**THEOREM 5·2.** *If, in an  $\aleph_1$ -lattice<sup>(1)</sup>  $L$ , an increasing additive function  $\phi(a)$  is defined, and  $L$  is complete with respect to the metric  $\delta(a, b) = \phi(a \cup b) - \phi(a \cap b)$ , then*

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(1) We may replace " $\aleph_1$ -lattice" by " $\aleph_0$ -lattice with zero and unit elements"; cf. p. 97, footnote (2).

- (i)  $L$  is modular;
- (ii)  $L$  is a continuous lattice;
- (iii) let  $\Omega$  be any Cantor ordinal number; then in a system  $(a_\alpha; \alpha < \Omega)$ ,
  - (a) if  $\alpha < \beta$  implies  $a_\alpha \geqq a_\beta$ , then
 
$$\Pi((a_\alpha; \alpha < \Omega)) \cup b = \Pi(a_\alpha \cup b; \alpha < \Omega),$$
  - (b) if  $\alpha < \beta$  implies  $a_\alpha \leqq a_\beta$ , then
 
$$(\sum(a_\alpha; \alpha < \Omega)) \cap b = \sum(a_\alpha \cap b; \alpha < \Omega).$$
- (iv)  $\phi(a)$  is completely additive when  $\phi(0)=0$ .<sup>(1)</sup>

PROOF. The modularity of  $L$  is proved in Theorem 2·1. From Theorem 5·1, if  $a_1 \geqq a_2 \geqq \dots \geqq a_i \geqq \dots$ , or  $a_1 \leqq a_2 \leqq \dots \leqq a_i \leqq \dots$ , then  $\phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i)$ . Starting from this property, we can prove (ii) and (iii) as J. v. Neumann<sup>(2)</sup> has done, or in a dual way. Complete additivity follows from Theorems 4·1 and 5·1.

**THEOREM 5·3.** *If, in an irreducible<sup>(3)</sup> complemented  $\aleph_1$ -lattice<sup>(4)</sup>  $L$ , an increasing additive function  $\phi(a)$  is defined, and  $L$  is complete with respect to the metric  $\delta(a, b) = \phi(a \cup b) - \phi(a \cap b)$ , then*

- (i)  $L$  is a continuous geometry;
- (ii)  $\phi(a)$  is expressed by the dimension function  $D(a)$  of  $L$ , as follows:
 
$$\phi(a) = \alpha D(a) + \beta,$$
 where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are real numbers;
- (iii)  $\phi(a)$  has a discrete bounded range or a continuous bounded range, according as  $L$  satisfies the chain condition or not.

(1) Or we may say that  $\phi(a) - \phi(0)$  is completely additive.

(2) J. v. Neumann [4], 164–166, Lemmas 18·5 and 18·6.

(3) Here we add a theorem which shows the relation between the irreducibility of the lattice and the uniqueness of the lattice function.

**THEOREM.** *If, in an complemented  $\aleph_0$ -lattice  $L$  with zero and unit elements, we can define only one additive function  $\phi(a)$  such that  $\phi(0)=\alpha$  and  $\phi(1)=\beta$ ,  $\alpha, \beta$  being given real numbers, then  $L$  is irreducible.*

PROOF. Since  $\psi(a) = \phi(a) - \phi(0)$  is additive, and  $\psi(0)=0$ , we can assume, without loss of generality, that  $\alpha=0$ . If  $L$  is reducible, then there exist  $c, d$  such that  $c \cup d=1$ ,  $c \cap d=0$ , and  $x=(x \cap c) \cup (x \cap d)$  for all  $x \in L$ . Let  $p, q$  be any real numbers such that  $p\phi(c)+q\phi(d)=\beta$ . And put  $\phi_1(x)=p\phi(x \cap c)+q\phi(x \cap d)$ . Then  $\phi_1(0)=0$ ,  $\phi_1(1)=\beta$ , and  $\phi_1(a)$  is additive. Hence there are many additive functions  $\phi(a)$  such that  $\phi(0)=0$ ,  $\phi(1)=\beta$ . And this fact contradicts the assumption.

(4) We may replace “ $\aleph_1$ -lattice” by “ $\aleph_0$ -lattice with zero and unit elements”; cf. p. 97, footnote (2).

PROOF. (i) Complementariness and irreducibility are assumed. Hence, by Theorem 5·2,  $L$  satisfies all the axioms of continuous geometry.<sup>(1)</sup>

(ii) By the increasingness of  $\phi(a)$ ,

$$\phi(0) \leqq \phi(a) \leqq \phi(1) \quad \text{for all } a \in L.$$

Hence the range of  $\phi(a)$  has either an upper bound or a lower bound. Therefore, by a theorem proved by J. v. Neumann,<sup>(2)</sup>

$$\phi(a) = aD(a) + \beta.$$

(iii) This is evident from (ii), since the range of  $D(a)$  is  $\left(0, \frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{n}, \dots, 1\right)$ , or all real numbers between 0 and 1.<sup>(3)</sup>

**THEOREM 5·4.** *If  $L$  is a complemented  $\aleph_1$ -lattice with the zero element in which a non-decreasing additive function  $\phi(a)$ <sup>(4)</sup> is defined,*

*and*

$$\phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i) \tag{1}$$

*when  $a_1 \leqq a_2 \leqq \dots \leqq a_i \leqq \dots$  or  $a_1 \geqq a_2 \geqq \dots \geqq a_i \geqq \dots$ ,*

*then  $\mathfrak{L} = (A_a; a \in L)^{(5)}$  is a complemented modular continuous lattice which satisfies (iii) of Theorem 5·2, and  $\phi(A)$  is completely additive when  $\phi(0) = 0$ .*

PROOF. (i) From Theorem 3·1,  $\mathfrak{L}$  is a complemented  $\aleph_0$ -lattice with the zero element, and  $\phi(A)$  is an increasing additive function defined in  $\mathfrak{L}$ .

(ii) Now I shall prove that  $\mathfrak{L}$  is an  $\aleph_1$ -lattice and

$$\phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} A_i) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(A_i) \tag{2}$$

when  $A_1 \leqq A_2 \leqq \dots \leqq A_i \leqq \dots$  or  $A_1 \geqq A_2 \geqq \dots \geqq A_i \geqq \dots$

(1) J. v. Neumann [1], 94–96; [3], 1–3.

(2) J. v. Neumann [3], 70.

(3) J. v. Neumann [1], 99; [3], 69.

(4) If we use a *completely additive* function  $\phi(a)$  instead of the *additive* function, then we must assume, instead of (1), the following condition:

$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} (a_i \cup b) = (\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) \cup b$  when  $a_1 \geqq a_2 \geqq \dots \geqq a_i \geqq \dots$ .

(Cf. Theorems 4·1 and 4·2).

(5) Cf. sec. 3.

Let  $A_1 \leqq A_2 \leqq \dots \leqq A_i \leqq \dots$ . Applying Lemma 3.5 successively, we have  $a_1 \leqq a_2 \leqq \dots \leqq a_i \leqq \dots$  such that  $A_i = A_{a_i}$  for all  $i$ . Put  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i = a$ . Then  $A_i \leqq A_a$  for all  $i$ . Next, let  $A_b$  be any element in  $L$  such that  $A_i \leqq A_b$  for all  $i$ . Then, by Lemma 3.5, there exist  $u_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots$ ), such that  $a_i \leqq b \cup u_i$  and  $\phi(u_i) = 0$ . Hence

$$a = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i \leqq \sum(b \cup u_i; i = 1, 2, \dots). \quad (3)$$

If we put  $b_n = \sum(b \cup u_i; i = 1, 2, \dots, n) = b \cup \sum(u_i; i = 1, \dots, n)$ , then  $b_1 \leqq b_2 \leqq \dots \leqq b_n \leqq \dots$  and  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} b_n = \sum(b \cup u_i; i = 1, 2, \dots)$ . Since  $\phi(\sum(u_i; i = 1, 2, \dots, n)) = \phi(0)$  we have  $\phi(b_n) = \phi(b)$  and  $\phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} b_n) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(b_n) = \phi(b)$ . Since  $b \leqq \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} b_n$ , we have  $b \equiv \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} b_n$ , and  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} b_n \in A_b$ . Hence, by (3),  $A_a \leqq A_b$ . Consequently  $A_a$  is effective as  $\sum(A_i; i = 1, 2, \dots) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} A_i$ , and

$$\phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} A_i) = \phi(a) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(A_i).$$

Next let  $A_1 \geqq A_2 \geqq \dots \geqq A_i \geqq \dots$ , and let  $c_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots$ ) be such that  $A_i = A_{c_i}$ . By Lemma 3.5, there exist  $u_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots$ ) such that  $c_{i+1} \leqq c_i \cup u_i$  and  $\phi(u_i) = \phi(0)$ . Put  $a_n = c_n \cup \sum(u_i; i = n, n+1, \dots)$ ; then, since  $\phi(\sum(u_i; i = n, n+1, \dots, n+m)) = 0$ , we have, by (1),  $\phi(\sum(u_i; i = n, n+1, \dots)) = 0$ . Hence  $a_n \in A_n$  and  $a_1 \geqq a_2 \geqq \dots \geqq a_n \geqq \dots$ . Put  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i = a$ . Then  $A_i \geqq A_a$  for all  $i$ . Next, let  $A_b$  be any element in  $L$  such that  $A_i \geqq A_b$  for all  $i$ . By Lemma 3.5, there exist  $u_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots$ ) such that  $b \leqq a_i \cup u_i$  and  $\phi(u_i) = \phi(0)$ . Put

$$a'_n = a_n \cup \sum(u_i; i = n, n+1, \dots).$$

Then, as above,  $a'_n \equiv a_n$ . (4)

Now,  $a'_1 \geqq a'_2 \geqq \dots \geqq a'_i \geqq \dots$ ; put  $a' = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a'_i$ . Since  $a'_i \geqq a_i$ ,

we have  $a' = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a'_i \geqq \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i = a$ .

Since, by (1) and (4),  $\phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a'_i) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a'_i) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i) = \phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i)$ ,

we have  $a' \equiv a$ .

Since  $a'_i \geqq b$ , we have  $a' = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a'_i \geqq b$ .

Hence

$$A_a = A_{a'} \geqq A_b.$$

Consequently  $A_a$  is effective as  $\Pi(A_i; i=1, 2, \dots) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} A_i$ , and

$$\phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} A_i) = \phi(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} a_i) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_i) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \phi(A_i).$$

Since  $\mathfrak{L}$  is an  $\aleph_0$ -lattice, and  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} A_i$  exists when  $A_1 \leqq A_2 \leqq \dots \leqq A_i \leqq \dots$  or  $A_1 \geqq A_2 \geqq \dots \geqq A_i \geqq \dots$ ,  $\mathfrak{L}$  is an  $\aleph_1$ -lattice.

(iii) Since (2) holds good, by Theorem 5·1  $\mathfrak{L}$  is complete with respect to the metric  $\delta(A, B) = \phi(A \cup B) - \phi(A \cap B)$ . Hence, by Theorem 5·2,  $\mathfrak{L}$  is a modular continuous lattice which satisfies (iii) of Theorem 5·2, and  $\phi(A)$  is completely additive when  $\phi(A_0) = 0$ , that is,  $\phi(0) = 0$ .

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