

# Adjunctions induced by the Congruence Lattices of the Free Algebras in a Variety

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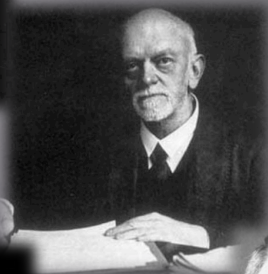
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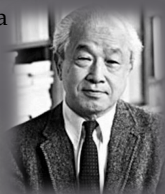
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which acts on each  $s \in \mathcal{F}_\mu$  by substitution as follows:

$$\frac{s((X_\alpha)_{\beta < \mu})}{\mathbb{I}(T)} \in \mathcal{I}(T) \quad \xrightarrow{\mathcal{I}(\lambda)} \quad \frac{s([X_\beta \setminus l_\beta]_{\beta < \mu})}{\mathbb{I}(S)} \in \mathcal{I}(S).$$

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Given homomorphism  $h: \mathcal{F}_\kappa/\theta_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_\mu/\theta_2$ . For each  $\alpha < \kappa$ , let  $\pi_\alpha$  be the projection term on the  $\alpha^{\text{th}}$  coordinate, and let  $\pi_\alpha/\theta_1$  denote the equivalence class of  $\pi_\alpha$  modulo  $\theta_1$ . Fix, for each  $\alpha$ , an arbitrary  $f_\alpha \in h(\pi_\alpha/\theta_1)$ . For any  $(p_\beta)_{\beta < \mu} \in \mathbb{V}(\theta_2)$ , set

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### Related constructions in the literature.

- 1 Algebraic geometry over groups. (*G. Baumslag, A. Myasnikov, B. Plotkin, V. Remeslennikov, etc.*)
- 2 Geometric categories (*Y. Diers.*)
- 3 Natural dualities (*D. Clark, B. Davey, M. Haviar, H. Priestley, etc.*)

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*David Hilbert, circa 1900.*

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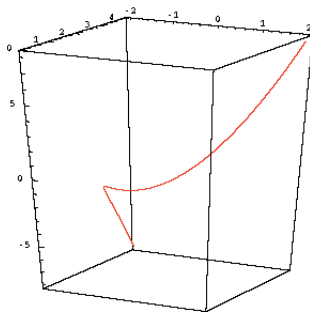
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- The *max-radical* of a congruence  $\theta$ , written  $\sqrt{\theta}$ , is the intersection of all maximal congruences extending  $\theta$ .
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*Proof.* By the Nullstellensatz for max-points,  $\mathbf{A}_{\text{rad}} = \mathbf{FixA}$ . □

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*General questions.*

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# ORDERED TOPOLOGICAL SPACES AND THE REPRESENTATION OF DISTRIBUTIVE LATTICES

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## 1. Introduction

In [18] it was shown that, by defining a topology and an order relation on the set of 2-valued homomorphisms of a distributive lattice, one could obtain a space dual to the given lattice in a natural way and so develop an analogue for distributive lattices of the standard duality theory for Boolean algebras.

This paper is a sequel to [18]. It falls into two parts: the first (§§ 2–5) deals with some aspects of the theory of ordered topological spaces; the second, concerning distributive lattices, takes as its starting point the basic representation theorem proved in [18] and proceeds, with the aid of the results of §§ 2–5, to relate properties of a lattice to properties of its dual space.

## 2. Ordered topological spaces

A subset  $E$  of a quasi-ordered set  $X$  is *increasing* if  $x \in E$ ,  $y \in X$ ,  $x \leq y$  together imply  $y \in E$ . A *decreasing* set is defined dually. A set is *decreasing* if and only if its complement is increasing. For any subset  $E$  of  $X$ ,  $i(E)$  ( $d(E)$ ) will denote the intersection of all increasing (decreasing) sets

Thank you for your attention.