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ORTHOPOSETS WITH QUANTIFIERS

Abstract

A quantifier on an orthoposet is a closure operator whose range is closed under orthocomplementation and is therefore a suborthoposet. There is a natural bijective connection between quantifiers and their ranges. We extend it to a bijective connection between certain families of quantifiers on an orthoposet and certain families of its suborthoposets.

1. Introduction

In algebraic logic, an existential quantifier (called also a cylindrification) on a Boolean algebra A is a unary operation \exists satisfying certain axioms. The standard defining axiom set is

$$\begin{aligned}(\exists 1): \quad & \exists 0 = 0, \\(\exists 2): \quad & p \leq \exists p, \\(\exists 3): \quad & \exists(p \wedge \exists q) = \exists p \wedge \exists q.\end{aligned}$$

[12, Part 1] and [15, Sect. 1.3] are good sources of information about general properties of quantifiers. Either by means of $(\exists 1)$ – $(\exists 3)$ (usually, the additivity rule

$$(\exists 4): \quad \exists(a \vee b) = \exists a \vee \exists b,$$

which normally is a consequence of $(\exists 1)$ – $(\exists 3)$, is also added) or of some other set of axioms which contains or implies these, quantifiers have been defined also on lattice structures weaker than Boolean algebras; see, for instance, [4, 16, 17, 18, 24]. Moreover, counterparts of $(\exists 3)$ and $(\exists 4)$ have turned out to be useful even in situations when the algebraic analogues of

conjunction or disjunction lack some of the three characteristic properties of a semilattice operation [6, 8, 11, 21, 25, 26].

A less familiar (but equivalent: see Theorem 3 in [12]) axiom system for quantifiers on Boolean algebras goes back to [10], where an algebraic theory of modal S5-operators is sketched. It consists of $(\exists 2)$ and

$$\begin{aligned} (\exists 5): & \text{ if } p \leq q, \text{ then } \exists p \leq \exists q, \\ (\exists 6): & \exists((\exists p)^\perp) = (\exists p)^\perp. \end{aligned}$$

Sometimes (as in [15, p. 177]) $(\exists 5)$ is replaced by the formally stronger equational property $(\exists 4)$. These axioms also have been used in algebras more general than Boolean ones [2, 3, 19, 20, 22].

At last, an operation on a Boolean algebra A is a quantifier if and only if it is a closure operator whose range is a subalgebra of A ([12], Theorem 3). A similar theorem holds true also in several more general situations [1, 3, 5], sometimes in a modified form [2, 19]. Actually, the theorem is the prototype of a much more general result in categorical logic.

REMARK 1. By a closure operator on any ordered set we mean in this paper an increasing, isotonic and idempotent operation. In [12], a closure operator is required also to be normalized and additive (properties $(\exists 1)$ and $(\exists 4)$, respectively). However, $(\exists 1)$ is not used in the proof of the theorem mentioned in the preceding paragraph, and $(\exists 4)$ is needed only in the proof that item (i) of the theorem follows from (iii), i.e., that $(\exists 6)$ implies $(\exists 3)$. But, as shown in [10], an operation satisfying $(\exists 2)$, $(\exists 5)$ and $(\exists 6)$ is additive (and normalized as well); cf. Proposition 2.1 in the next section. Therefore, our formally weaker formulation of the theorem is, in fact, equivalent to the original one.

The notion of a quantifier algebra [13] was introduced to formalize the idea of a Boolean algebra equipped with a family of quantifiers interacting with each other as in first-order logic. Defined in a slightly more abstract form, a quantifier algebra is a triple (A, T, \exists) , where A is a Boolean algebra, T is a lower bounded join semilattice, and \exists is a function from T to quantifiers on A such that

$$\exists(0) = \text{id}_A, \quad \exists(s)\exists(t) = \exists(s \vee t),$$

where id_A stands for the identity map on A (cf. [7]). The original definition of [13] is a particular case with T the powerset of some set I . Informally, elements of I are interpreted as variables over some set, and those of A , as

entities depending of these variables (say, as Boolean-valued first-order logic formulas considered up to logical equivalence); a quantifier $\exists(s)$ is thought of as binding all variables from s . If T is the set of all finite subsets of I , we come to the version of a quantifier algebra, called quasi-quantifier algebra in [7]. There is another possible interpretation of a quantifier as a projection of A onto its range; see Sect. 2 of [7] for more details. A projection algebra is a system (A, T, \exists) , where A is still a Boolean algebra, but T is a meet semilattice and \exists is a function from T to quantifiers on A such that $\exists(s)\exists(t) = \exists(s \wedge t)$. A projection algebra is said to be rich, if every element of A is in the range of some $\exists(t)$; if T has the largest element 1, then this requirement can be replaced by a single identity $\exists(1) = \text{id}_A$. In the aforementioned case when T is a powerset of I , every quantifier algebra gives rise to a rich projection algebra by interchanging $\exists(I \setminus s)$ and $\exists(s)$.

In this paper we deal with quantifiers on orthoposets, which seem to be the weakest structures where the axioms $(\exists 2)$, $(\exists 5)$, $(\exists 6)$ are still able to provide a reasonable notion of quantifier. We consider orthoposet-based projection algebras (called Q-orthoposets here), introduce the notion of Q-atlas of suborthoposets of an orthoposet, and show that a Q-atlas is the family of ranges of quantifiers in an appropriate Q-orthoposet. Actually, there is bijective connection between systems of quantifiers on a Q-orthoposet and Q-atlas for it. The necessary definitions and some elementary properties of quantifiers on orthoposets are given in the next section, Q-atlas are discussed in Section 3, and the main results are presented in the last, fourth, section.

2. Orthoposets with quantifiers

Recall that an *orthoposet* is a system $(P, \leq, \perp, 0, 1)$, where $(P, \leq, 0, 1)$ is a bounded poset and the operation \perp is an orthocomplementation on L :

- $p \leq q$ implies that $q^\perp \leq p^\perp$,
- $p^{\perp\perp} = p$,
- $1 = p \vee p^\perp$, $0 = p \wedge p^\perp$.

(we let $a \vee b$ and $a \wedge b$ stand for the l.u.b., resp., g.l.b of a and b). De Morgan duality laws hold in an orthoposet in the following form: if one side in the identities

$$(p \wedge q)^\perp = p^\perp \vee q^\perp, \quad (p \vee q)^\perp = p^\perp \wedge q^\perp$$

is defined, then the other one is, and both are equal.

We call a *quantifier* on P any operation \exists satisfying $(\exists 2)$, $(\exists 5)$ and $(\exists 6)$; cf. [3]. The subsequent proposition is an adaption of Lemma 2.1 in [10], stated there for Boolean algebras.

PROPOSITION 2.1. *Every quantifier \exists on an orthoposet has the following properties:*

- ($\exists 7$): $\exists 1 = 1$,
- ($\exists 1$): $\exists 0 = 0$,
- ($\exists 8$): $\exists \exists p = \exists p$,
- ($\exists 9$): $p \leq \exists q$ if and only if $\exists p \leq \exists q$,
- ($\exists 10$): the range of \exists is closed under existing meets and joins,
- ($\exists 11$): if $p \vee q$ exists, then $\exists(p \vee q) = \exists p \vee \exists q$.

PROOF: ($\exists 7$) By $(\exists 2)$.

($\exists 1$) By $(\exists 7)$ and $(\exists 6)$, $\exists 0 = \exists((\exists 1)^\perp) = (\exists 1)^\perp = 0$.

($\exists 8$) Let $r := \exists p$. By $(\exists 6)$, then $r^\perp = \exists(r^\perp)$ and also

$$\exists \exists p = \exists(r^{\perp\perp}) = \exists((\exists(r^\perp))^\perp) = (\exists(r^\perp))^\perp = r^{\perp\perp} = \exists p.$$

($\exists 9$) This well-known characteristic of \exists as a closure operator follows from $(\exists 2)$, $(\exists 5)$ and $(\exists 8)$.

($\exists 10$) Suppose that $r := \exists p \wedge \exists q$ exists; we shall prove that $r = \exists r$. Clearly, $r \leq \exists r$ by $(\exists 2)$. On the other hand, $\exists r \leq \exists \exists p \leq \exists p$ by $(\exists 5)$ and $(\exists 8)$, and likewise $\exists r \leq \exists q$. Thus, $\exists r \leq r$ and, finally, $\exists r = r$ by $(\exists 2)$. Consequently, if $r := \exists p \vee \exists q$ exists, then $r = \exists r$ by $(\exists 8)$ and De Morgan laws.

($\exists 11$) Suppose that $r := p \vee q$ exists. As $r' := \exists p \vee \exists q$ exists and equals to $\exists(r')$ by $(\exists 10)$, we get $r \leq r' = \exists(r')$ by $(\exists 2)$. Now $(\exists 9)$ implies that $\exists r \leq \exists(r') = r'$; the reverse inequality holds in virtue of $(\exists 2)$. \square

Therefore, every quantifier on an orthoposet is a closure operator. The subsequent corollary to Proposition 2.1 is an orthoposet version of a classical result on quantifiers on Boolean algebras, which was mentioned in Introduction.

A *suborthoposet*, or just a *subalgebra* of an orthoposet P is any subset of P with the inherited ordering that contains 0 and 1 and is closed under orthocomplementation. We may consider in P partial operations of join of meet and thus view it as a *partial ortholattice* $(P, \vee, \wedge, \perp, 0, 1)$. A *partial*

subortholattice of P is then any suborthoposet that is closed under existing joins and, hence, also existing meets.

COROLLARY 2.2. *An operation \exists on P is a quantifier if and only if it is a closure operator whose range is a subalgebra of P . If this is the case, then the range of \exists is even a partial subortholattice of P .*

As every closure operator on an orthoposet preserves 1, the requirement put here on its range may be even weakened: it suffices that the range be closed under orthocomplementation. Closure operators having this property are known as *symmetric*; see [9] and references therein.

Recall that, in any poset P , a subset P_0 is a range of a closure operator if and only if it is *relatively complete* in the sense that, for every $p \in P$, the subset $\{q \in P_0 : p \leq q\}$ has the least element $\pi(p)$, i.e.,

$$p \leq q \text{ if and only if } \pi(p) \leq q$$

whenever $q \in P_0$ and $p \in P$. The surjective mapping $\pi : P \rightarrow P_0$ is then the closure operator corresponding to P_0 . Now it immediately follows that

an operation on P is a quantifier if and only if its range is a relatively complete subalgebra of P .

Moreover, the connection between quantifiers and relatively complete subalgebras is bijective. For Boolean algebras, this characteristic of quantifiers is contained in Theorems 3 and 4 of [12], for orthomodular lattices, in Theorem 3 of [23], and for ortholattices, in Theorem 16 of [3] (as may be seen from its proof, the relatively complete sublattice of an ortholattice, which is mentioned in its statement, should actually be a subortholattice).

We now introduce the central notion of the paper. Let $T := (T, \wedge)$ be a fixed meet semilattice.

DEFINITION 2.3. By a *system of quantifiers* on an orthoposet P we mean a family $\exists := (\exists_t : t \in T)$ of quantifiers on P where $T := (T, \wedge)$ is a fixed meet semilattice and, for all $s, t \in T$,

- $\exists_t \exists_s p = \exists_{s \wedge t} p$,
- every element of P is in the range of some \exists_t .

The system is said to be *faithful* if

- $\exists_s = \exists_t$ only if $s = t$.

An *orthoposet with quantifiers*, or just a *Q-orthoposet*, is an ordered algebra $(P, \exists_t)_{t \in T}$, where P is an orthoposet and $(\exists_t : t \in T)$ is a system of quantifiers on P . The semilattice T is called the *scheme* of the algebra.

Therefore, a rich projection algebra (see Introduction) is essentially an Q-orthoposet of particular kind (P is a Boolean lattice). Our final result (Theorem 4.4) extends Corollary 2.2 and characterises systems of quantifiers in terms of their ranges (and certain mappings between them).

3. Q-atlases of orthoposets

We adapt the notion of atlas from investigations of structure of quantum logics, and modify it as follows. Let T , as above, be a meet semilattice. A family of orthoposets $(P_t : t \in T)$ is said to be a (T -shaped) *atlas of orthoposets* if it satisfies the conditions

- (A1): if $s \leq t$, then P_s is a suborthoposet of P_t ,
- (A2): if $s, t \leq u$ for some $u \in T$, then $P_s \cap P_t = P_{s \wedge t}$.

If the union P of all members of the family happens to be an orthoposet again, and if each P_t is a suborthoposet of P , then the orthoposet may be considered as a pasting of the family; we say in this case that $(P_t : t \in T)$ is an atlas *for* P . We want each suborthoposet P_t to be the range of a quantifier belonging to some system of quantifiers on P ; therefore, members of an atlas should be structured and interrelated in an appropriate way. For this purpose, it is convenient to require, in particular, that P_s is a relatively complete subset of P_t whenever $s \leq t$. In this way, we come to Q-atlases.

Let $\mathbf{P} := (P_t, \pi^t)_{s \leq t \in T}$ be an inverse family of orthoposets with T a meet semilattice. This means that each P_t is an orthoposet, π_s^t is a mapping $P_t \rightarrow P_s$ and, for all appropriate $s, t, u \in T$, the identities

- ($\pi 1$): $\pi_t^t = \text{id}_{P_t}$,
- ($\pi 2$): $\pi_s^t \pi_t^u = \pi_s^u$

hold. We call T the *scheme* of \mathbf{P} . If, in addition, $(P_t : t \in T)$ is an atlas, we call \mathbf{P} a *structured atlas*. Given such an atlas for an orthoposet P , we already can introduce a family of operations \exists_t on P by setting $\exists_t p := \pi_{s \wedge t}^s(p)$ provided that $p \in P_s$. To have an assurance that these operations are well-behaved closure operators, we put some further conditions on \mathbf{P} .

DEFINITION 3.1. \mathbf{P} is a Q -atlas (of orthoposets) for an orthoposet P if each P_t is a suborthoposet of P , $P = \bigcup(P_t: t \in T)$, and the following conditions are fulfilled:

- (A3): if $s \leq t$, then $\pi_s^t(P_r) \subseteq P_r$ for all $r \leq t$,
- (A4): if $s \leq t$, then $P_s \subseteq \pi_s^t(P_t)$ (i.e., each π_s^t is surjective),
- (A5): if $p \in P_s$ and $q \in P_t$, then $p \leq q$ if and only if $\pi_{s \wedge t}^s(p) \leq q$.

A Q -atlas is *faithful* if $\pi_s^t = \text{id}_{P_t}$ only if $s = t$.

The subsequent lemma shows that each operation π_s^t is a quantifier on P_t (cf. Sect. 2) and that these quantifiers are interrelated in a Q -atlas in a proper way.

LEMMA 3.2. *Suppose that \mathbf{P} is a Q -atlas for P . Then every algebra $(P_t, \pi_s^t)_{s \leq t}$ is a Q -orthoposet with scheme (t).*

PROOF: It follows from (A1) that P_t is closed under all operations π_s^t , and from (A4), that if $p \in P_s$ and $s \leq t$, then $p = \pi_s^t(r)$ for some $r \in P_t$. By (A5), then $q \leq \pi_s^t(r)$ iff $\pi_s^t(q) \leq \pi_s^t(r)$, provided that $q \in P_t$. This means that π_s^t is a closure operator on P_t (cf. (39)) with range P_s . As P_s is a subalgebra of P_t , the operation π_s^t is even a quantifier (Corollary 2.2).

We next prove that

$$(\pi 3): \pi_{s \wedge t}^s(p) = \pi_t^u(p) \text{ whenever } s, t \leq u \text{ and } p \in P_s.$$

Suppose that $s, t \leq u$. If $p \in P_s$, then p is a fixed point of the closure operator π_s^u . Using ($\pi 2$), further

$$\pi_{s \wedge t}^s(p) = \pi_{s \wedge t}^s(\pi_s^u(p)) = \pi_{s \wedge t}^u(p) = \pi_{s \wedge t}^t(\pi_t^u(p)).$$

But $\pi_t^u(p)$ belongs to P_t and, in virtue of (A3), to P_s ; so, $\pi_t^u(p) \in P_{s \wedge t}$ by (A2). Hence, $\pi_{s \wedge t}^u(p) = \pi_{s \wedge t}^t(\pi_t^u(p)) = \pi_{s \wedge t}^s(p)$, as needed.

Now if $s, s' \leq t$, then $\pi_s^t \pi_{s'}^t = \pi_{s \wedge s'}^s \pi_{s'}^t = \pi_{s \wedge s'}^t$ by ($\pi 3$) and ($\pi 2$). As every element of P_t lies in the range of $\pi_{s'}^t$, eventually P_t is a Q -orthoposet. \square

REMARK 2. The identity ($\pi 3$) was derived from (A2) and (A3). It is easily seen that, conversely, the identity implies (A2): if $p \in P_s, P_t$ and $u \geq s, t$, then $p = \pi_t^u(p) = \pi_{s \wedge t}^s(p) \in P_{s \wedge t}$; the converse inclusion follows from (A1). The identity implies also (A3): if $s, t \leq u$ and $p \in P_s$, then $\pi_t^u(p) = \pi_{s \wedge t}^s(p) \in P_{s \wedge t} \subseteq P_s$. Therefore, ($\pi 3$) could replace items (A2) and (A3) in the definition of a Q -atlas.

4. From quantifier systems to Q-atlases and back

We are now going to show that there is a bijective connection between quantifier systems and Q-atlases. T is still a fixed meet semilattice.

THEOREM 4.1. *Suppose that $(\exists_t : t \in T)$ is a quantifier system on an orthoposet P . Let $P_t := \text{ran } \exists_t$, and let $\pi_s^t : P_t \rightarrow P_s$ with $s \leq t$ be mappings defined by $\pi_s^t(q) := \exists_s(q)$. Then the system $\mathbf{P} := (P_t, \pi_s^t)_{s \leq t \in T}$ is a Q-atlas for P . It is faithful if the initial system of quantifiers is faithful.*

PROOF: Assume that $(P, \exists_t)_{t \in T}$ is a Q-orthoposet and that P_t and π_s^t are chosen as said in the theorem. Then P_t is a subalgebra of P (Corollary 2.2) and their union coincides with P (Definition 2.3). Observe also that

$$(\exists 12): \exists_s \exists_t = \exists_s = \exists_t \exists_s \text{ whenever } s \leq t .$$

Evidently, then the family $(\pi_s^t : s \leq t \in T)$ satisfies identities in $(\pi 1)$ and $(\pi 2)$. We now check that \mathbf{P} obeys the conditions of Definition 3.1.

(A1) Follows from $(\exists 12)$.

(A2),(A3) Suppose that $s, t \leq u$ and $p \in P_s$ (so that $\exists_s p = p$). Then $\pi_{s \wedge t}^s(p) = \exists_{s \wedge t} p = \exists_t \exists_s p = \exists_t p = \pi_t^u(p)$, and $(\pi 3)$ holds. See Remark 3.

(A4) It is enough to show that $P_s \subseteq \pi_s^t(P_t)$ for $s \leq t$. If $q \in P_s$, then, for some $p \in P$, $q = \exists_s p = \exists_s \exists_t p$ in virtue of $(\exists 12)$. As $\exists_t p \in P_t$, it follows that $q \in \pi_s^t(P_t)$, as needed.

(A5) Let $p \in P_s$ and $q \in P_t$. Then $p = \exists_s p$, $q = \exists_t q$ and, by $(\exists 9)$,

$$p \leq q \text{ iff } \exists_s p \leq \exists_t q \text{ iff } \exists_{s \wedge t} p = \exists_t \exists_s p \leq \exists_t q \text{ iff } \pi_{s \wedge t}^s(p) \leq q,$$

and $(\pi ??)$ holds. This ends the proof of the first assertion. The second one follows from the observation that every quantifier is determined by its range. Suppose that $s \leq t$ (and $P_s \subseteq P_t$); then $\pi_s^t = \text{id}_{P_t}$ iff $\exists_s q = q$ for all $q \in P_t$ iff $P_t = P_s$ iff $\exists_t = \exists_s$, and then $s = t$. \square

THEOREM 4.2. *Suppose that $(P_t, \pi_s^t)_{s \leq t \in T}$ is a Q-atlas for an orthoposet P . Let, for every $t \in T$, \exists_t be an operation on P defined as follows: whenever $p \in P_s$, $\exists_t p := \pi_{s \wedge t}^s(p)$. Then*

- (a) *the definition of $\exists_t p$ is correct: it does not depend on the choice of s ,*
- (b) *the operation \exists_t is a quantifier on P with range P_t ,*
- (c) *the family $(\exists_t : t \in T)$ is a system of quantifiers for P ,*
- (d) *it is faithful if the initial Q-atlas is faithful.*

PROOF: (a) If also $p \in P_{s'}$, then $p \in P_s \cap P_{s'} = P_{s \wedge s'}$. Hence, $\pi_{s' \wedge t}^{s'}(p) = \pi_{s \wedge s' \wedge t}^{s \wedge s'}(p)$ by $(\pi 3)$, and likewise $\pi_{s \wedge t}^s(p) = \pi_{s \wedge s' \wedge t}^{s \wedge s'}(p)$. Thus, $\pi_{s \wedge t}^s(p) = \pi_{s' \wedge t}^{s'}(p)$.

(b) As to the range of \exists_t , if $p \in P_s$, then $\pi_{s \wedge t}^s(p) \in P_{s \wedge t} \subseteq P_t$; hence, $\text{ran } \exists_t \subseteq P_t$. On the other hand, if $p \in P_t$, then evidently $\exists_t p = p$ by $(\pi 1)$, so that $P_t \subseteq \text{ran } \exists_t$.

By virtue of Corollary 2.2, it remains to show that each \exists_t is a closure operator, i.e., satisfies $(\exists 9)$. We get from $(A5)$ that $p \leq q$ iff $\exists_t(p) \leq q$ whenever $p \in P_s$ and $q \in P_t$. As q can be presented in the form $\exists_t r$ for some $r \in P$, we conclude that, for every p and all r from P , $p \leq \exists_t r$ iff $\exists_t p \leq \exists_t r$ as needed.

(c) Let p be any element of P . If $p \in P_r$, then, by $(\pi 2)$,

$$\exists_t \exists_s p = \exists_t(\pi_{r \wedge s}^r(p)) = \pi_{s \wedge r \wedge t}^{r \wedge s}(\pi_{r \wedge s}^r(p)) = \pi_{s \wedge r \wedge t}^r(p) = \exists_{s \wedge t} p.$$

It remains to recall the definition of atlas for P .

(d) Suppose that the Q-atlas $(P_t, \pi_s^t)_{s \leq t \in T}$ is faithful. If $\exists_s = \exists_t$, then $\pi_s^t(q) = q$ for every $q \in P_t$, and, further, $s = t$. \square

Therefore, we have a transformation F of quantifier systems on P into Q-atlases for P , and a transformation G of Q-atlases for P into quantifier systems on P . Moreover, both transformations preserve faithfulness.

THEOREM 4.3. *The transformations F and G are mutually inverse.*

PROOF: Suppose that P is an orthoposet. Let $\exists := (\exists_t : t \in T)$ be a quantifier system on P , and let $\mathbf{P} := (P_t, \pi_s^t)_{s \leq t \in T}$ be the corresponding Q-atlas. If \exists'_t is a quantifier induced by \mathbf{P} and $p \in P_s = \text{ran } \exists_s$ for some $s \in T$, then $\exists'_t p = \pi_{s \wedge t}^s(p) = \exists_{s \wedge t} p = \exists_t \exists_s p = \exists_t p$. Conversely, let $\mathbf{P} := (P_t, \pi_s^t)_{s \leq t \in T}$ be a Q-atlas for P , and let $\exists := (\exists_t : t \in T)$ be the corresponding quantifier system. If $(P'_t, \pi_s^t)_{s \leq t \in T}$ is the Q-atlas induced by \exists , then $P'_t = \text{ran } \exists_t = P_t$ and $\pi_s^t(q) = \exists_s q = \pi_{s \wedge t}^s(q) = \pi_s^t(q)$ for all $q \in P_t$ by $(\pi 3)$. \square

As a consequence, we now obtain the extension of Corollary 2.2 mentioned at the end of Sect. 2.

THEOREM 4.4. *Let P be an orthoposet, and let T be a meet semilattice. A family $\exists := (\exists_t : t \in T)$ of operations on P is a system of quantifiers if and only if each \exists_t is a closure operator and there is a structured atlas $\mathbf{P} :=$*

$(P_t, \pi_s^t)_{s \leq t \in T}$ for P such that (i) $P_t := \text{ran } \exists_t$, (ii) for all p , $\exists_t p = \pi_{s \wedge t}^s(p)$ for any s with $p \in P_s$, (iii) the condition (A3) is also fulfilled.

PROOF: Necessity of both conditions follows immediately from Theorem 4.1: if \mathbf{P} is the \mathbf{Q} -atlas corresponding to \exists , then, for any s such that $p \in P_s$, $\exists_t p = \exists_t \exists_s p = \exists_{s \wedge t} p = \pi_{s \wedge t}^s p$, and \mathbf{P} is therefore the required structured atlas for P .

To prove their sufficiency, suppose that all \exists_t are quantifiers and that \mathbf{P} is a structured atlas as described in the theorem. By Corollary 2.2, then all operations \exists_t are quantifiers. It remains to prove that $\exists_s \exists_t = \exists_{s \wedge t}$ for all s and t in T . We may proceed as in the proof of Theorem ??(c) if the right-hand side in the identity (ii) does not depend of the choice of s . That it does not depend indeed, can be shown as in the proof of Theorem ??(a) ((π_3) is available by Remark 3). \square

In the particular case when T is a two-element semilattice $\{0, 1\}$ with $0 < 1$, the quantifier \exists_1 in \mathbf{Q} is the identity mapping, its range P_1 coincides with A , and (A5) reduces to (\exists_9). Thus, in this case, the theorem essentially says that the operation \exists_0 on P is a quantifier if and only if its range P_0 is a suborthoposet of P and the operation itself is a closure operator (see Corollary 2.2).

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