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# MAC NEILLE COMPLETION OF CENTERS AND CENTERS OF MAC NEILLE COMPLETIONS OF LATTICE EFFECT ALGEBRAS

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If element  $z$  of a lattice effect algebra  $(E, \oplus, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1})$  is central, then the interval  $[\mathbf{0}, z]$  is a lattice effect algebra with the new top element  $z$  and with inherited partial binary operation  $\oplus$ . It is a known fact that if the set  $C(E)$  of central elements of  $E$  is an atomic Boolean algebra and the supremum of all atoms of  $C(E)$  in  $E$  equals to the top element of  $E$ , then  $E$  is isomorphic to a subdirect product of irreducible effect algebras ([18]). This means that if there exists a MacNeille completion  $\hat{E}$  of  $E$  which is its extension (i.e.  $E$  is densely embeddable into  $\hat{E}$ ) then it is possible to embed  $E$  into a direct product of irreducible effect algebras. Thus  $E$  inherits some of the properties of  $\hat{E}$ . For example, the existence of a state in  $\hat{E}$  implies the existence of a state in  $E$ . In this context, a natural question arises if the MacNeille completion of the center of  $E$  (denoted as  $\mathcal{MC}(C(E))$ ) is necessarily the same as the center of  $\hat{E}$ , i.e., if  $\mathcal{MC}(C(E)) = C(\hat{E})$  is necessarily true. We show that the equality is not necessarily fulfilled. We find a necessary condition under which the equality may hold. Moreover, we show also that even the completeness of  $C(E)$  and its bifullness in  $E$  is not sufficient to guarantee the mentioned equality.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

Effect algebras, introduced by D.J. Foulis and M.K. Bennett [3], have their importance in the investigation of uncertainty. Lattice ordered effect algebras generalize orthomodular lattices and MV-algebras. Thus they may include non-compatible pairs of elements as well as unsharp elements.

**Definition 1.1.** (Foulis and Bennett [3]) An *effect algebra* is a system  $(E; \oplus, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1})$  consisting of a set  $E$  with two different elements  $\mathbf{0}$  and  $\mathbf{1}$ , called *zero* and *unit*, respectively and  $\oplus$  is a partially defined binary operation satisfying the following conditions for all  $p, q, r \in E$ :

- (E1) If  $p \oplus q$  is defined, then  $q \oplus p$  is defined and  $p \oplus q = q \oplus p$ .
- (E2) If  $q \oplus r$  is defined and  $p \oplus (q \oplus r)$  is defined, then  $p \oplus q$  and  $(p \oplus q) \oplus r$  are defined and  $p \oplus (q \oplus r) = (p \oplus q) \oplus r$ .

(E3) For every  $p \in E$  there exists a unique  $q \in E$  such that  $p \oplus q$  is defined and  $p \oplus q = \mathbf{1}$ .

(E4) If  $p \oplus \mathbf{1}$  is defined then  $p = \mathbf{0}$ .

The element  $q$  in (E3) will be called the *supplement* of  $p$ , and will be denoted as  $p'$ .

In the whole paper, for an effect algebra  $(E, \oplus, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1})$ , writing  $a \oplus b$  for arbitrary  $a, b \in E$  will mean that  $a \oplus b$  exists. On an effect algebra  $E$  we may define another partial binary operation  $\ominus$  by

$$a \ominus b = c \iff b \oplus c = a.$$

The operation  $\ominus$  induces a partial order on  $E$ . Namely, for  $a, b \in E$   $b \leq a$  if there exists a  $c \in E$  such that  $a \ominus b = c$ . If  $E$  with respect to  $\leq$  is lattice ordered, we say that  $E$  is a *lattice effect algebra*. For the sake of brevity we will write just LEA. Further, in this article we often briefly write ‘an effect algebra  $E$ ’ skipping the operations.

If every pair  $x, y$  of elements of a LEA  $E$  is *compatible*, meaning that  $x \vee y = x \oplus (y \ominus (x \wedge y))$  then  $E$  is called an *MV-effect algebra* [1, 9].

S. P. Gudder ([5, 6]) introduced the notion of sharp elements and sharply dominating lattice effect algebras. Recall that an element  $x$  of the LEA  $E$  is called *sharp* if  $x \wedge x' = \mathbf{0}$ . Jenča and Riečanová in [7] proved that in every lattice effect algebra  $E$  the set  $S(E) = \{x \in E; x \wedge x' = \mathbf{0}\}$  of sharp elements is an orthomodular lattice which is a *sub-effect algebra* of  $E$ , meaning that if among  $x, y, z \in E$  with  $x \oplus y = z$  at least two elements are in  $S(E)$  then  $x, y, z \in S(E)$ . Moreover  $S(E)$  is a *full sublattice* of  $E$ , hence supremum of any set of sharp elements, which exists in  $E$ , is again a sharp element. Further, each maximal subset  $M$  of pairwise compatible elements of  $E$ , called *block* of  $E$ , is a sub-effect algebra and a full sublattice of  $E$  and  $E = \bigcup \{M \subseteq E; M \text{ is a block of } E\}$  (see [15, 16]). *Central elements* and centers of effect algebras were defined in [4]. In [13, 14] it was proved that in every lattice effect algebra  $E$  the *center*

$$C(E) = \{x \in E; (\forall y \in E)y = (y \wedge x) \vee (y \wedge x')\} = S(E) \cap B(E), \tag{1}$$

where  $B(E) = \bigcap \{M \subseteq E; M \text{ is a block of } E\}$ . Since  $S(E)$  is an orthomodular lattice and  $B(E)$  is an MV-effect algebra, we obtain that  $C(E)$  is a Boolean algebra. Note that  $E$  is an orthomodular lattice if and only if  $E = S(E)$  and  $E$  is an MV-effect algebra if and only if  $E = B(E)$ . Thus  $E$  is a Boolean algebra if and only if  $E = S(E) = B(E) = C(E)$ .

Recall that an element  $p$  of an effect algebra  $E$  is called an *atom* if and only if  $p$  is a minimal non-zero element of  $E$  and  $E$  is *atomic* if for each  $x \in E, x \neq \mathbf{0}$ , there exists an atom  $p \leq x$ .

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $(E, \oplus, \mathbf{0})$  be an effect algebra. To each  $a \in E$  we define its *isotropic index*, notation  $ord(a)$ , as the maximal positive integer  $n$  such that

$$na := \underbrace{a \oplus \cdots \oplus a}_{n\text{-times}}$$

exists. We set  $ord(a) = \infty$  if  $na$  exists for each positive integer  $n$ . We say that  $E$  is *Archimedean*, if for each  $a \in E$ ,  $a \neq \mathbf{0}$ ,  $ord(a)$  is finite.

An element  $u \in E$  is called *finite*, if there exists a finite system of atoms  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  (which are not necessarily distinct) such that  $u = a_1 \oplus \dots \oplus a_n$ . An element  $v \in E$  is called *cofinite*, if there exists a finite element  $u \in E$  such that  $v = u'$ .

We say that for a finite system  $F = (x_j)_{j=1}^k$  of not necessarily different elements of an effect algebra  $(E, \oplus, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1})$  is  $\oplus$ -orthogonal if  $x_1 \oplus x_2 \oplus \dots \oplus x_n = (x_1 \oplus x_2 \oplus \dots \oplus x_{n-1}) \oplus x_n$  exists in  $E$  (briefly we will write  $\bigoplus_{j=1}^n x_j$ ). We define also  $\bigoplus \emptyset = \mathbf{0}$ .

**Definition 1.3.** For a lattice  $(L, \wedge, \vee)$  and a subset  $D \subseteq L$  we say that  $D$  is a *bifull sublattice* of  $L$ , if and only if for any  $X \subseteq D$ ,  $\bigvee_L X$  exists if and only if  $\bigvee_D X$  exists and  $\bigwedge_L X$  exists if and only if  $\bigwedge_D X$  exists, in which case  $\bigvee_L X = \bigvee_D X$  and  $\bigwedge_L X = \bigwedge_D X$ .

Recall that an element  $a \in L$ , where  $(L, \wedge, \vee)$  is a lattice, is called a *compact element* if for arbitrary  $D \subset L$  with  $\bigvee D \in L$ , if  $a \leq \bigvee D$  then  $a \leq \bigvee F$  for some finite set  $F \subseteq D$ . The lattice  $L$  is called *compactly generated* if every element of  $L$  is a join of compact elements.

**Lemma 1.4.** Let  $(E, \oplus, \vee, \wedge, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1})$  be an atomic Archimedean lattice effect algebra. Then

- (i) (see [10]) a block  $M$  of  $E$  is atomic if there exists a maximal pairwise compatible set  $A$  of atoms of  $E$  such that  $A \subseteq M$  and if  $M_1$  is a block of  $E$  with  $A \subseteq M_1$ , then  $M_1 = M$ . Moreover for all  $x \in E$  and all  $a \in A$  the following holds

$$x \in M \iff x \leftrightarrow a,$$

- (ii) (see [17]) to every nonzero element  $x \in E$  there exist mutually distinct atoms  $a_\alpha \in E$  and positive integers  $k_\alpha$  for  $\alpha \in \mathcal{I}$  such that

$$x = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \mathcal{I}} (k_\alpha a_\alpha) = \bigvee_{\alpha \in \mathcal{I}} (k_\alpha a_\alpha).$$

It is known that if  $E$  is a distributive effect algebra (i. e., the effect algebra  $E$  is a distributive lattice – e. g., if  $E$  is an MV-effect algebra) then  $C(E) = S(E)$ . If moreover  $E$  is Archimedean and atomic then the set of atoms of  $C(E) = S(E)$  is the set  $\{n_a a; a \in E \text{ is an atom of } E\}$ , where  $n_a = ord(a)$  (see [19]). Since  $S(E)$  is a bifull sublattice of  $E$  if  $E$  is an Archimedean atomic LEA (see [12]), we obtain that

$$\mathbf{1} = \bigvee_{C(E)} \{p \in C(E); p \text{ is an atom of } C(E)\} = \bigvee_E \{p \in C(E); p \text{ is an atom of } C(E)\}$$

for every Archimedean atomic distributive lattice effect algebra  $E$ . In [8] it was shown that there exists a LEA  $E$  for which this property fails to be true. Important properties of Archimedean atomic lattice effect algebras with atomic center were proven by Riečanová in [20].

**Theorem 1.5.** (Riečanová [20]) Let  $E$  be an Archimedean atomic lattice effect algebras with atomic center  $C(E)$ . Denote by  $A_E$  the set of all atoms of  $E$  and by  $A_{C(E)}$  the set of all atoms of  $C(E)$ . The following conditions are equivalent:

1.  $\bigvee_E A_{C(E)} = \mathbf{1}$ .
2. For every atom  $a \in A_E$  there exists an atom  $p_a \in A_{C(E)}$  such that  $a \leq p_a$ .
3. For every  $z \in C(E)$  it holds

$$z = \bigvee_{C(E)} \{p \in A_{C(E)}; p \leq z\} = \bigvee_E \{p \in A_{C(E)}; p \leq z\}.$$

4.  $C(E)$  is a bifull sub-lattice of  $E$ .

In this case  $E$  is isomorphic to a subdirect product of Archimedean atomic irreducible lattice effect algebras.

## 2. MACNEILLE COMPLETION OF A LEA $E$ WHOSE CENTER IS NOT BIFULL IN $E$

This section is based on an example published by the author in [8]. For reader's comfort in Section 2.1 we repeat the substantial parts of this paper where the LEA  $E$  whose center is not bifull in  $E$ , is constructed. In Section 2.2 we make the completion of  $E$ .

### 2.1. Construction of a LEA $E$ whose center is not bifull in $E$

Let us have the following sequences of elements (sets):

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_0 &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2; 0 \leq x \leq 1, y \in \mathbb{R}\}, \\
 a_l &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2; l < x \leq l + 1, y \in \mathbb{R}\}, \quad \text{for } l = 1, 2, \dots, \\
 b_0 &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2; -1 \leq x < 0, y \in \mathbb{R}\}, \\
 b_l &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2; -l - 1 \leq x < -l, y \in \mathbb{R}\}, \quad \text{for } l = 1, 2, \dots, \\
 c_j &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2; -j \leq x \leq j, y \leq j \cdot x\}, \quad \text{for } j = 1, 2, \dots, \\
 d_j &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2; -j \leq x \leq j, y > j \cdot x\}, \quad \text{for } j = 1, 2, \dots, \\
 p_j &= \{j\}, \quad \text{for } j = 1, 2, \dots
 \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

For such a choice of elements, the elements  $q_1 \neq q_2$  are compatible if and only if  $q_1 \cap q_2 = \emptyset$ .

Denote  $\hat{B}_0, \hat{B}_j$  (for  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ ) complete atomic Boolean algebras with the corresponding sets of atoms  $A_0, A_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots$ ), given by

$$A_0 = \bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} \{a_i\} \cup \bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} \{b_i\} \cup \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} \{p_j\}, \tag{3}$$

$$A_j = \bigcup_{i=j}^{\infty} \{a_i\} \cup \bigcup_{i=j}^{\infty} \{b_i\} \cup \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} \{p_j\} \cup \{c_j, d_j\}. \tag{4}$$

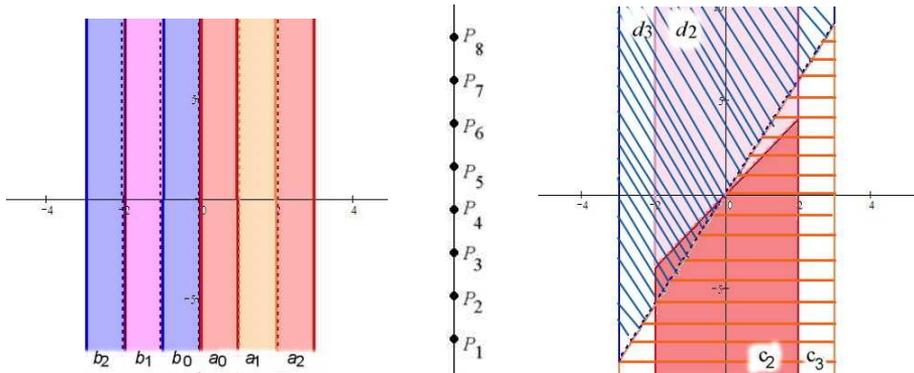


Fig. 1. Illustration of sequences of elements  $(a_l)_l, (b_l)_l, (p_j)_j, (c_j)_j, (d_j)_j$ .

Disjointness among some elements of the system (2) is equivalent with the fact that  $A_0$  and  $A_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots$ ) are unique maximal sets of pairwise compatible atoms.

For elements  $u_1, u_2 \in \hat{B}_l, l = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , such that  $u_1 \cap u_2 = \emptyset$  we introduce the partial operation  $\oplus_l$  by

$$u_1 \oplus_l u_2 = u_1 \cup u_2. \tag{5}$$

Observe that if  $u_1, u_2 \in \hat{B}_i \cap \hat{B}_j$ , then

$$u_1 \oplus_i u_2 = u_1 \oplus_j u_2. \tag{6}$$

This is the reason why we will omit the index denoting operation  $\oplus$  in the whole paper. Moreover we have the following equality

$$c_j \oplus d_j = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{j-1} (a_i \oplus b_i) = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2; -j \leq x \leq j\}, \quad \text{for all } j = 1, 2, \dots \tag{7}$$

The complete Boolean algebras  $\hat{B}_0, \hat{B}_j, j = 1, 2, \dots$ , have the following top elements:

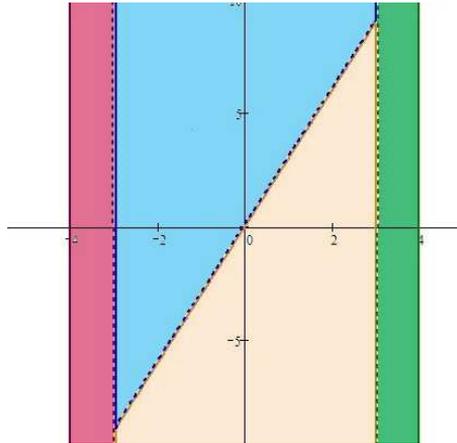
$$\mathbb{R}^2 \cup \mathbb{N} = \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{1}_0 = a_0 \oplus b_0 \oplus \bigoplus_{i=1}^{\infty} (a_i \oplus b_i \oplus p_i) \tag{8}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^2 \cup \mathbb{N} = \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{1}_1 = (c_1 \oplus d_1) \oplus \bigoplus_{i=1}^{\infty} (a_i \oplus b_i \oplus p_i) \tag{9}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^2 \cup \mathbb{N} = \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{1}_j = (c_j \oplus d_j) \oplus \bigoplus_{i=j}^{\infty} (a_i \oplus b_i \oplus p_i) \oplus \bigoplus_{i=1}^{j-1} p_i, \tag{10}$$

for all  $j = 2, 3, \dots$

An element  $u \in \hat{B}_l$  is finite if and only if  $u = q_1 \oplus q_2 \oplus \dots \oplus q_n$  for an  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n \in A_l$ . Set  $Q_l = \{u \in B_l; u \text{ is finite}\}, l = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . Then  $Q_l$  is a generalized Boolean algebra, since  $B_l = Q_l \dot{\cup} Q_l^*$  is a Boolean algebra, where



**Fig. 2.** Illustration of the element  $a_3 \oplus b_3 \oplus c_3 \oplus d_3$ .

$Q_l^* = \{u^*; u^* = 1_l \ominus u \text{ and } u \in Q_l\}$  (see [21], or [2, pp.18-19]). This means that  $B_l$  is a Boolean subalgebra of finite and cofinite elements of  $\hat{B}_l$  ( $l = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ).

**Theorem 2.1.** (Kalina [8]) Denote  $E = \bigcup_{l=0}^{\infty} B_l$ . Then  $(E, \oplus, \vee, \wedge, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1})$  is a compactly generated LEA with the family  $(B_l)_{l=0}^{\infty}$  of atomic blocks of  $E$ . The center of  $E$ ,  $C(E)$ , is not a bifull sublattice of  $E$ .

**2.2. MacNeille completion of  $E$**

Let us denote

$$\hat{E} = \bigcup_{l=0}^{\infty} \hat{B}_l. \tag{11}$$

First we show the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.2.**  $(\hat{E}, \oplus, \wedge, \vee, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1})$  is a lattice effect algebra.

*Proof.* Equation (6) shows that  $\oplus$  is well defined. We show that this operation is commutative and associative. Let  $q_1, q_2, q_3 \in \hat{E}$  are elements such that  $q_1 \oplus q_2$  is defined and  $(q_1 \oplus q_2) \oplus q_3$  is also defined. Then  $q_1, q_2$  are disjoint sets and  $(q_1 \oplus q_2)$  and  $q_3$  are also disjoint sets. These imply that  $q_1, q_2, q_3$  is a triple of pairwise disjoint sets and hence the commutativity and associativity follows immediately. Followingly  $(\hat{E}, \oplus)$  is an effect algebra.

We show now that  $(\hat{E}, \wedge, \vee, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1})$  is a bounded lattice.

Let  $h_1, h_2 \in \hat{E}$  be arbitrary elements. First assume that  $h_1 \leftrightarrow h_2$ . Then there is an  $i \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  such that  $h_1 \in \hat{B}_i, h_2 \in \hat{B}_i$ . Since  $\hat{B}_i$  is a complete Boolean algebra,  $h_1 \vee h_2$  and  $h_1 \wedge h_2$  are well defined.

Assume that  $h_1 \not\leq h_2$ . Then there are some  $0 \leq i < s$  such that  $h_1 \in \hat{B}_i$  and  $h_2 \in \hat{B}_s$ . This means that for  $h_1$  and  $h_2$  we have

$$h_1 = \begin{cases} \bigoplus_{l=0}^{\infty} (\alpha_l a_l \oplus \beta_l b_l) \oplus \bigoplus_{j=1}^{\infty} \pi_j p_j, & \text{if } i = 0, \\ \gamma_i c_i \oplus \delta_i d_i \oplus \bigoplus_{l=i}^{\infty} (\alpha_l a_l \oplus \beta_l b_l) \oplus \bigoplus_{j=1}^{\infty} \pi_j p_j, & \text{if } i \neq 0, \end{cases} \tag{12}$$

$$h_2 = \gamma'_s c_s \oplus \delta_s d_s \oplus \bigoplus_{l=s}^{\infty} (\alpha'_l a_l \oplus \beta'_l b_l) \oplus \bigoplus_{m=1}^{\infty} \pi'_m p_m, \tag{13}$$

where  $\alpha_l, \beta_l, \gamma_i, \delta_i, \pi_j \in \{0, 1\}$  for  $l = 0, 1, 2, \dots, i = 1, 2, \dots$  and  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ ,  $\alpha'_l, \beta'_l, \gamma'_s, \delta'_s, \pi'_j \in \{0, 1\}$  for  $l = 1, 2, \dots, s = 1, 2, \dots$  and  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ . Because of formula (7) and the non-compatibility of  $h_1$  and  $h_2$ , if we denote by  $\Gamma_i$  all atoms of  $A_i$  which are non-compatible with  $c_s$  (or equivalently, which are non-compatible with  $d_s$ ), for  $h_1$  we get that there exists a  $q \in \Gamma_i$  such that  $q \leq h_1$  and at the same time

$$\begin{aligned} \bigoplus_{l=0}^{s-1} (a_l \oplus b_l) &\not\leq h_1, & \text{if } i = 0, \\ c_i \oplus d_i \oplus \bigoplus_{l=i}^{s-1} (a_l \oplus b_l) &\not\leq h_1, & \text{if } i \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

For  $h_2$  we get that either  $c_s \leq h_2$  or  $d_s \leq h_2$ , and  $c_s \oplus d_s \not\leq h_2$ .

In all other cases we would get the compatibility of  $h_1$  and  $h_2$ . Hence we have

$$h_1 \wedge h_2 = \bigoplus_{l=s}^{\infty} (\tilde{\alpha}_l a_l \oplus \tilde{\beta}_l b_l) \oplus \bigoplus_{m=1}^{\infty} \tilde{\pi}_m p_m, \tag{14}$$

$$\begin{aligned} h_1 \vee h_2 &= c_s \oplus d_s \oplus \bigoplus_{l=s}^{\infty} (\hat{\alpha}_l a_l \oplus \hat{\beta}_l b_l) \oplus \bigoplus_{m=1}^{\infty} \hat{\pi}_m p_m \\ &= \bigoplus_{l=0}^{s-1} (a_l \oplus b_l) \oplus \bigoplus_{l=s}^{\infty} (\hat{\alpha}_l a_l \oplus \hat{\beta}_l b_l) \oplus \bigoplus_{m=1}^{\infty} \hat{\pi}_m p_m, \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

where  $\tilde{\alpha}_l = \min\{\alpha_l, \alpha'_l\}$ ,  $\tilde{\beta}_l = \min\{\beta_l, \beta'_l\}$ ,  $\hat{\alpha}_l = \max\{\alpha_l, \alpha'_l\}$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_l = \max\{\beta_l, \beta'_l\}$  for  $l \in \{s, 2s + 1, \dots\}$ , and  $\tilde{\pi}_m = \min\{\pi_m, \pi'_m\}$ ,  $\hat{\pi}_m = \max\{\pi_m, \pi'_m\}$  for  $m \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ . The fact that  $(\hat{E}, \oplus, \wedge, \vee, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1})$  is a LEA is due to formulas (5) and (6).  $\square$

In what follows we will denote the LEA  $(\hat{E}, \oplus, \wedge, \vee, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1})$  just briefly as  $\hat{E}$ .

**Theorem 2.3.**  $\hat{E}$  is a complete lattice.

*Proof.* Since  $\hat{E}$  is the union of countably many blocks  $\hat{B}_i$  and each block  $\hat{B}_i$  is a complete Boolean algebra, it is enough to show that  $\hat{E}$  is a  $\sigma$ -complete lattice. Each element  $q \in \hat{E}$  has its supplement, hence we show just the  $\sigma$ -completeness with respect to  $\vee$ . Assume that  $(h_{k_i})_{i=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of pairwise non-compatible

elements of  $\hat{E}$ , where  $h_{k_i} \in \hat{B}_{k_i}$  and  $(k_i)_{i=1}^\infty$  is an increasing sequence of non-negative integers. Then the element  $h_{k_1}$  can be expressed by formula 12 replacing  $i$  by  $k_1$ , and  $h_{k_i}$  (for  $i > 1$ ) can be expressed by formula (13) replacing  $s$  by  $k_i$ . Then by formula (15) we have that

$$\bigvee_{i=1}^t h_{k_i} = c_{k_t} \oplus d_{k_t} \oplus \bigoplus_{j=k_t}^\infty (\hat{\alpha}_j a_j \oplus \hat{\beta}_j b_j) \oplus \bigoplus_{m=1}^\infty \hat{\pi}_m p_m,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\alpha}_j &= \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } a_j \leq h_{k_i} \text{ for an } 1 \leq i \leq t, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \\ \hat{\beta}_j &= \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } b_j \leq h_{k_i} \text{ for an } 1 \leq i \leq t, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \\ \hat{\pi}_j &= \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } p_j \leq h_{k_i} \text{ for an } 1 \leq i \leq t, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Formulas (2) imply

$$\bigvee_{i=1}^t (c_{k_t} \oplus d_{k_t}) = \mathbb{R}^2$$

which gives

$$\bigvee_{i=1}^\infty h_{k_i} = \mathbb{R}^2 \oplus \bigoplus_{m=1}^\infty \hat{\pi}_m p_m, \quad \text{where } \hat{\pi}_j = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } p_j \leq h_{k_i} \text{ for an } 1 \leq i \leq t, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

This completes the proof that  $\hat{E}$  is a complete lattice. □

**Theorem 2.4.** The atomic Archimedean LEA  $E = \bigcup_{l=0}^\infty B_l$  can be densely embedded into  $\hat{E} = \bigcup_{l=0}^\infty \hat{B}_l$ .

*Proof.* Since each of the atomic complete Boolean algebras  $\hat{B}_l$ , for  $l = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , is generated by countably many atoms, the completeness of each particular  $\hat{B}_l$  is equivalent with its  $\sigma$ -completeness. Further, the atomic Boolean algebras  $B_l$  contain all finite elements of  $\hat{B}_l$ . This implies that each  $B_l$  can be densely embedded into  $\hat{B}_l$ . Hence we have that  $E = \bigcup_{l=0}^\infty B_l$  can be densely embedded into  $\hat{E} = \bigcup_{l=0}^\infty \hat{B}_l$ , and the proof is finished. □

Let us denote by  $\tilde{B}_0, \tilde{B}_j$  (for  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ ) the following complete Boolean algebras generated by corresponding sets of atoms  $\tilde{A}_0, \tilde{A}_j$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{A}_0 &= \bigcup_{l=0}^\infty \{a_l\} \cup \bigcup_{l=0}^\infty \{b_l\}, \\ \tilde{A}_j &= \bigcup_{i=j}^\infty \{a_i\} \cup \bigcup_{i=j}^\infty \{b_i\} \cup \{c_j, d_j\}. \end{aligned}$$

Further we denote

$$\hat{E}_1 = \bigcup_{i=0}^{\infty} \tilde{B}_i. \tag{16}$$

We can embed  $\hat{E}_1$  into  $\hat{E}$ . In this sense  $\hat{E}_1$  is equipped with the partial operation  $\oplus$  inherited from  $\hat{E}$ .

**Lemma 2.5.**  $\hat{E}_1$  is a complete atomic Archimedean LEA with its center equal to  $C(\hat{E}_1) = \{\mathbf{0}_{\hat{E}_1}, \mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1}\}$  and  $\mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1}$  is an infinite element.

*Proof.* To show that  $\hat{E}_1$  is a complete atomic Archimedean LEA we could repeat the proofs of Lemma 2.2 and of Theorem 2.3, just skipping the atoms  $\{p_1, p_2, \dots\}$  from all formulas.

We show now that  $C(\hat{E}_1) = \{\mathbf{0}_{\hat{E}_1}, \mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1}\}$ . Formulas (2) imply that  $\mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1} = \mathbb{R}^2$ . Assume that there is yet another element of  $C(\hat{E}_1)$ . Let us denote this element by  $z$ . Assume that no atom from the set of atoms  $\{c_1, d_1, c_2, d_2, \dots, c_j, d_j, \dots\}$  is below  $z$ . Since  $z \neq \mathbf{0}_{\hat{E}_1}$ , there exists an atom  $a_i \leq z$  (or  $b_i \leq z$ ). Then we get that  $c_{i+1} \cap z \neq \emptyset$  and  $c_{i+1} \not\leq z$  and hence  $c_{i+1} \not\leftrightarrow z$ . We may conclude that  $z$  is not a central element in this case. Assume that  $c_j \leq z$  (or  $d_j \leq z$ ) for some  $j = 1, 2, \dots$  and there is a  $k$  such that  $(c_k \oplus d_k) \not\leq z$ . Then formulas (2) imply that either  $c_k$  or  $d_k$  is non-compatible with  $z$  and followingly  $z$  is not a central element. This consideration gives that if  $z$  is a central element then all atoms from the set of atoms  $\{c_1, d_1, c_2, d_2, \dots, c_j, d_j, \dots\}$  are below  $z$ . Since

$$\bigvee_{j=1}^{\infty} (c_j \oplus d_j) = \mathbb{R}^2,$$

we get that  $C(\hat{E}_1) = \{\mathbf{0}_{\hat{E}_1}, \mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1}\}$ .

To conclude the proof we have to show that  $\mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1}$  is an infinite element of  $\hat{E}_1$ . This is due to the fact that  $\mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1}$  is an infinite element of each of the blocks  $\tilde{B}_l$ . □

**Lemma 2.6.** Let us denote by  $\hat{\mathbf{B}}$  the complete Boolean algebra generated by the set of atoms  $\{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_j, \dots\}$ . Then  $\hat{E}$  is isomorphic to the direct product  $\hat{\mathbf{B}} \times \hat{E}_1$ .

*Proof.* The isomorphism between  $\hat{E} = \bigcup_{l=0}^{\infty} \hat{B}_l$  and the direct product  $\hat{\mathbf{B}} \times \hat{E}_1$  follows from the fact that each of the blocks  $\hat{B}_l$  is isomorphic to the direct product  $\hat{\mathbf{B}} \times \hat{B}_l$ . □

**Theorem 2.7.** Let  $E = \bigcup_{l=0}^{\infty} B_l$  and  $\hat{E} = \bigcup_{l=0}^{\infty} \hat{B}_l$ . Denote  $\mathcal{MC}(C(E))$  the MacNeille completion of  $C(E)$ . Then the following holds

$$\mathcal{MC}(C(E)) \subsetneq C(\hat{E}).$$

*Proof.* Set  $\mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1}$  the top element of  $\hat{E}_1$ . Then  $\mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1} \in C(\hat{E})$ . Since there is no non-zero central element of  $\hat{E}$  below  $\mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1}$ , we may conclude that  $\mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1}$  is an atom of  $C(\hat{E})$ .

On the other hand  $\mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1}$  is neither a finite nor a cofinite element of  $\hat{E}$  and hence  $\mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1} \notin C(E)$ . Since  $\mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1}$  is an atom of  $C(\hat{E})$ , we get immediately  $\mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1} \notin \mathcal{MC}(C(E))$  and the proof of the theorem is finished.  $\square$

Theorem 2.7 can be generalized into the following

**Theorem 2.8.** Let  $\mathcal{E}$  be an atomic Archimedean LEA with atomic center  $C(\mathcal{E})$  that is not a bifull sublattice of  $\mathcal{E}$ . Let  $\mathcal{MC}(C(\mathcal{E}))$  be the MacNeille completion of  $C(\mathcal{E})$  and  $\hat{\mathcal{E}}$  the MacNeille completion of  $\mathcal{E}$ . Then the following holds

$$\mathcal{MC}(C(\mathcal{E})) \subsetneq C(\hat{\mathcal{E}}).$$

*Proof.* Because  $C(\mathcal{E})$  is not a bifull sublattice of  $\mathcal{E}$ , due to Theorem 1.5 we have that

$$\bigvee_{\mathcal{E}} \{q \in C(\mathcal{E}); q \text{ is an atom of } C(\mathcal{E})\}$$

does not exist in  $\mathcal{E}$  but

$$\bigvee_{C(\mathcal{E})} \{q \in C(\mathcal{E}); q \text{ is an atom of } C(\mathcal{E})\} = \mathbf{1}$$

Set  $z = (\bigvee_{\hat{\mathcal{E}}} \{q \in C(\mathcal{E}); q \text{ is an atom of } C(\mathcal{E})\})'$ . Then obviously

$$z \in \hat{\mathcal{E}}$$

holds and at the same time, since there is no non-zero element of  $C(\mathcal{E})$  that is below  $z$ ,  $z \notin \mathcal{MC}(C(\mathcal{E}))$ .  $\square$

### 3. SEARCHING FOR A SUFFICIENT CONDITION UNDER WHICH $\mathcal{MC}(C(\mathcal{E})) = C(\hat{\mathcal{E}})$ HOLDS

Theorem 2.8 gives us a necessary condition under which, for an atomic Archimedean lattice effect algebra  $\mathcal{E}$  the equality

$$\mathcal{MC}(C(\mathcal{E})) = C(\hat{\mathcal{E}}) \tag{17}$$

is valid. Once we have find a necessary condition, it is natural to look for a sufficient condition. We are going to present an example helping us to solve this problem.

Let us take the complete atomic Archimedean LEA  $\hat{E}_1$  given by formula 16 and its isomorphic copy denoted by  $\hat{E}_2$ . Since all atoms of  $\hat{E}_1$  are compact elements, the following assertion is straightforward

**Lemma 3.1.** The Archimedean atomic LEA  $\hat{E}_1 \times \hat{E}_2$  is compactly generated. Further, its center  $C(\hat{E}_1 \times \hat{E}_2)$  has the following elements

$$C(\hat{E}_1 \times \hat{E}_2) = \{ \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1}, \mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_2} \},$$

where  $\mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1}$  and  $\mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_2}$  are the top elements of  $\hat{E}_1$  and  $\hat{E}_2$ , respectively.

Let us denote  $E_f$  the set of all finite and cofinite elements of  $\hat{E}_1 \times \hat{E}_2$ .

**Theorem 3.2.**  $E_f$  is an atomic Archimedean LEA which is densely embeddable into  $\hat{E}_1 \times \hat{E}_2$ . The center of  $E_f$  is the following

$$C(E_f) = \{\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1}\}.$$

*Proof.* The fact that  $E_f$  is an atomic Archimedean LEA which is densely embeddable into  $\hat{E}_1 \times \hat{E}_2$ , follows from Lemma 3.1. Since  $\mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_1}$  and  $\mathbf{1}_{\hat{E}_2}$  are neither finite nor cofinite elements of  $\hat{E}_1 \times \hat{E}_2$ , we have that  $C(E_f) = \{\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1}\}$ . □

Let  $\tilde{B}$  be an arbitrary atomic Boolean algebra and  $q_i$ , for  $i$  running through an appropriate index set  $I$ , be atoms of  $\tilde{B}$ . Then, due to Theorem 1.5,  $\tilde{B}$  is isomorphic with a subdirect product of  $\{\mathbf{0}_{\tilde{B}}, z_i\}_{i \in I}$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** There exists an atomic Archimedean LEA  $E_{\tilde{B}}$  whose center is isomorphic with  $\tilde{B}$  and for which equality (17) does not hold.

*Proof.*  $\tilde{B}$  is a subdirect product of  $\{\mathbf{0}_{\tilde{B}}, z_i\}$  for  $i \in I$ . Instead of  $\{\mathbf{0}_{\tilde{B}}, z_1\}$  we take the atomic Archimedean LEA  $E_f$ . Then the center of the corresponding subdirect product of  $E_f$  and of the system  $\{\mathbf{0}_{\tilde{B}}, z_i\}$  for  $i \in I \setminus \{1\}$  is isomorphic to  $\tilde{B}$ , but due to Lemma 3.1 we have

$$\mathcal{MC}(C(E_{\tilde{B}})) = \mathcal{MC}(\tilde{B}) \subsetneq \mathcal{MC}(E_{\tilde{B}}).$$

□

#### 4. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper we studied the equality

$$\mathcal{MC}(C(E)) = C(\hat{E}),$$

where  $E$  is an atomic Archimedean LEA and  $\hat{E}$  its MacNeille completion. Particularly, we were interested in finding conditions expressible by means of properties of  $C(E)$ , under which the equality holds. We proved that there exists an atomic Archimedean LEA  $E$  for which equality is violated. Further, we proved that the bifullness of the center  $C(E)$  in  $E$  is necessary for the equality to be true. Moreover we showed that even the completeness of the center and the bifullness of  $C(E)$  in  $E$  is not sufficient to guarantee the above equality and for an arbitrary atomic Boolean algebra  $B$  there exists an atomic Archimedean LEA whose center is equal to  $B$  and for which the above equality is not fulfilled.

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