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ON THE REPRESENTATION OF  $P_0$ -LATTICES BEING P-ALGEBRAS*Dedicated to the memory  
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The notion of a  $P_0$ -lattice of finite order was introduced first by T. Traczyk [2] in 1963. G. Epstein and A. Horn [1] used this concept for some new generalizations of Post algebras. They discovered  $P_1$ - and  $P_2$ -lattices in this way.

On the other hand T. Traczyk and W. Zarębski [3] and W. Zarębski [4] introduced generalized  $P_0$ -,  $P_1$ - and  $P_2$ -lattices of order  $\omega^+$ .

In the present paper  $P_0$ -lattices which are P-algebras (called  $P_0$ P-lattices) will be examined. The theorem about the monotonic representation of  $P_0$ P-lattices is given in section 2. In section 3 it is shown that a  $P_0$ P-lattice L generates the Boolean algebra  $B^{n-1}$  for certain  $n$  if and only if L is a Post algebra.

### 1. Preliminaries

Let L be a distributive lattice with the least element 0 and the greatest element 1;  $x \cup y$  and  $xy$  denote the join and the meet of elements  $x, y \in L$ . The center B of L is the Boolean sublattice of all complemented elements of L. The complement of  $b \in B$  is denoted by  $\bar{b}$ . The greatest element  $z \in L$  ( $z \in B$ )

such that  $xz \leq y$ , if it exists, is denoted by  $x \rightarrow y$  ( $x \Rightarrow y$ ). If  $x \rightarrow y$  ( $x \Rightarrow y$ ) exists for any  $x, y \in L$  then  $L$  is called a Heyting algebra (a B-algebra). In particular  $1 \Rightarrow x$  is denoted by  $!x$ . The least Boolean element greater than  $x$ , if it exists, is denoted by  $x!$ ; A B-algebra is called a P-algebra if  $(x \Rightarrow y \cup y \Rightarrow x) = 1$  or, equivalently, if

$$(1) \quad z \Rightarrow (x \cup y) = (z \Rightarrow x) \cup (z \Rightarrow y)$$

is satisfied in it. If there exists an ascending sequence

$$(2) \quad 0 = e_0 \leq e_1 \leq \dots \leq e_{n-1} = 1$$

where  $n$  is an integer  $\geq 2$  such that every  $x \in L$  can be written in the form

$$(3) \quad x = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} b_i e_i, \quad b_i \in B$$

then  $L$  is a  $P_0$ -lattice. In this case we write  $L = (e_0, \dots, e_{n-1}, B)$ . The chain (2) whose union with the center  $B$  generates  $L$  is called the chain base for  $L$ . The order of  $L$  is the smallest number of elements in a chain base of  $L$ .

Every  $x \in L = (e_0, \dots, e_{n-1}, B)$  has a monotonic representation

$$(4) \quad x = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} x_i e_i, \quad x_i \in B, \quad x_1 \geq x_2 \geq \dots \geq x_{n-1}.$$

A  $P_0$ -lattice  $L = (e_0, \dots, e_{n-1}, B)$  which is a Heyting algebra and satisfies:  $(e_{i+1} \rightarrow e_i) = e_i$  for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n-2$  is called a  $P_1$ -algebra.

A  $P_1$ -algebra  $L = (e_0, \dots, e_{n-1}, B)$  such that  $e_i \Rightarrow x$  exists for every  $x \in L$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$ , is called a  $P_2$ -algebra.

## 2. The monotonic representation in a $P_0 P$ -lattice

Notice that if a  $P_0$ -lattice  $L$  has the property that  $e_i \Rightarrow e_j$  exists for every  $i, j$ , then  $L$  is a P-algebra and a Heyting algebra (see [1] th.3.1 and th.4.2).

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $L$  be a  $P_0$ -lattice with the center  $B$ . Then

- (i)  $(x \cup y) \Rightarrow z = (x \Rightarrow z)(y \Rightarrow z)$
- (ii)  $(z \Rightarrow xy) = (z \Rightarrow x)(z \Rightarrow y)$
- (iii)  $bx \Rightarrow (c \cup y) = \bar{b} \cup c \cup (x \Rightarrow y)$  for  $b, c \in B$
- (iv)  $(xy \Rightarrow z) = (x \Rightarrow z) \cup (y \Rightarrow z)$
- (v)  $(x \Rightarrow y)(y \Rightarrow z) \leq (x \Rightarrow z)$
- (vi)  $x! = \overline{x \Rightarrow 0}$
- (vii)  $(x \cup y)! = x! \cup y!; (xy)! = x!y!$

**Proof.** To prove (i), (iii), (vii) it suffices to observe that those properties hold in  $B$ -algebras (see [1]).

We now prove (iv). Let  $x = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} x_i e_i$  and  $y = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} y_i e_i$  be monotonic representations of  $x$  and  $y$ . It is known that  $xy = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} x_i y_i e_i$  is a monotonic representation of  $xy$ . By (i) and (iii) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} xy \Rightarrow z &= \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} x_i y_i e_i \right) \Rightarrow z = \bigcap_{i=1}^{n-1} (x_i y_i e_i \Rightarrow z) = \\ &= \bigcap_{j=1}^{n-1} (\overline{x_i y_i} \cup (e_i \Rightarrow z)) = \bigcap_{j=1}^{n-1} (\overline{x_i} \cup \overline{y_i} \cup (e_i \Rightarrow z)). \end{aligned}$$

Easy calculation shows that if  $a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_{n-1}$  and  $c_1 \geq \dots \geq c_{n-1}$ , then  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{n-1} (a_i \cup c_i) = a_1 \cup \bigcup_{i=2}^{n-1} a_i c_{i-1} \cup c_{n-1}$ . If, in addition,  $b_1 \leq \dots \leq b_{n-1}$  then

$$\begin{aligned} \bigcap_{i=1}^{n-1} (a_i \cup b_i \cup c_i) &= a_1 \cup b_1 \cup \bigcup_{i=2}^{n-1} ((a_i \cup b_i) c_i) \cup c_{n-1} = \\ &= \bigcap_{i=1}^{n-1} (a_i \cup c_i) \cup \bigcap_{j=1}^{n-1} (b_i \cup c_i). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 xy \Rightarrow z &= \bigcap_{i=1}^{n-1} (\bar{x}_i \cup \bar{y}_i \cup (e_i \Rightarrow z)) = \\
 &= \bigcap_{i=1}^{n-1} (\bar{x}_i \cup (e_i \Rightarrow z)) \cup \bigcap_{i=1}^{n-1} (\bar{y}_i \cup (e_i \Rightarrow z)) = (x \Rightarrow z) \cup (y \Rightarrow z)
 \end{aligned}$$

because  $\bar{x}_j \leq \bar{x}_k$ ,  $\bar{y}_j \leq \bar{y}_k$  and  $(e_j \Rightarrow z) \geq (e_k \Rightarrow z)$  for  $j \leq k$ .

For (v) we have: if  $a \leq (x \Rightarrow y)(y \Rightarrow z)$  then  $ax \leq y$  and  $ay \leq z$ . Hence  $ax \leq ay \leq z$ , thus  $a \leq (x \Rightarrow z)$ .

To prove (vi) note that  $x(x \Rightarrow 0) = 0$  and thus  $x \leq \overline{x \Rightarrow 0}$ . If  $x \leq b$  then  $\bar{bx} = 0$  for  $b \in B$ , so  $\bar{b} \leq (x \Rightarrow 0)$  and  $\overline{x \Rightarrow 0} \leq b$ .

(vii) follows directly from (vi), (i) and (iv).

**Lemma 2.2.** If  $L = (e_0, \dots, e_{n-1}, B)$  is a  $P_0 P$ -lattice, then

$$(i) \quad (x \Rightarrow 0)(e_i \Rightarrow x) \leq (y \Rightarrow 0) \cup (e_i \Rightarrow y)$$

$$(ii) \quad x!(e_i \Rightarrow y) \cup y!(e_i \Rightarrow x) \leq x!(e_i \Rightarrow x) \cup y!(e_i \Rightarrow y)$$

for every  $x, y \in L$  and  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$ .

**Proof.** By Lemma 2.1 (v) we obtain

$$(e_i \Rightarrow x)(x \Rightarrow 0) \leq (e_i \Rightarrow 0) \leq (e_i \Rightarrow y) \leq (y \Rightarrow 0) \cup (e_i \Rightarrow y).$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (ii) \quad & (x!(e_i \Rightarrow y) \cup y!(e_i \Rightarrow x))(\overline{x!(e_i \Rightarrow x) \cup y!(e_i \Rightarrow y)}) = \\
 & = (x!(e_i \Rightarrow y) \cup y!(e_i \Rightarrow x))(\bar{x} \cup \overline{e_i \Rightarrow x})(\bar{y} \cup \overline{e_i \Rightarrow y}) = \\
 & = x!(e_i \Rightarrow y)(\overline{e_i \Rightarrow x})\bar{y} \cup y!(e_i \Rightarrow x)\bar{x}(\overline{e_i \Rightarrow y}) = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

The last equality holds by (i).

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $L = (e_0, \dots, e_{n-1}, B)$  be a  $P_0 P$ -lattice. Then every  $x \in L$  can be written in the form

$$(*) \quad x = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} D_i(x)e_i, \quad \text{where } D_i(x) = x!(e_i \Rightarrow x), \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n-1$$

and the following properties hold:

$$(i) \quad D_1(x) \geq D_2(x) \geq \dots \geq D_{n-1}(x)$$

$$(ii) \quad D_1(x \cup y) = D_1(x) \cup D_1(y)$$

$$(iii) \quad D_1(xy) = D_1(x)D_1(y)$$

$$(iv) \quad D_1(b) = b \quad \text{for } b \in B$$

$$(v) \quad D_1(e_j) = e_j! \text{ for } i \leq j \text{ and } D_1(e_j) = e_j!(e_i \Rightarrow e_j) \text{ for } i > j.$$

$$\text{In particular } D_{n-1}(e_j) = !e_j.$$

**P r o o f.** Let  $x = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} x_i e_i$  be a monotonic representation of  $x$ . Of course  $x_i e_i \leq x$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ . Thus  $x_i \leq (e_i \Rightarrow x)$  and  $x_i e_i \leq (e_i \Rightarrow x) e_i$ . Therefore

$$x = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} x_i e_i \leq \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} (e_i \Rightarrow x) e_i$$

and

$$x = (x!) x \leq x! \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} (e_i \Rightarrow x) e_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} D_i(x) e_i.$$

On the other hand  $(e_i \Rightarrow x) e_i \leq x$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} (e_i \Rightarrow x) e_i \leq x \quad \text{and} \quad \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} D_i(x) e_i = \\ & = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} x!(e_i \Rightarrow x) e_i \leq x \quad x! = x. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore } x = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} D_i(x) e_i.$$

It is easy to see that (i), (iv) and (v) hold. It remains to show (ii) and (iii).

We prove (ii). By Lemma 2.1 (vii), the definition of a P-algebra (1) and Lemma 2.2 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} D_1(x \cup y) &= (x \cup y)!(e_1 \Rightarrow (x \cup y)) = (x! \cup y!)((e_1 \Rightarrow x) \cup (e_1 \Rightarrow y)) = \\ &= x!(e_1 \Rightarrow x) \cup y!(e_1 \Rightarrow y) \cup x!(e_1 \Rightarrow y) \cup y!(e_1 \Rightarrow x) = \\ &= x!(e_1 \Rightarrow x) \cup y!(e_1 \Rightarrow y) = D_1(x) \cup D_1(y). \end{aligned}$$

Now, we prove (iii), by Lemma 2.1 (ii), (vii) we obtain

$$D_1(xy) = (xy)!(e_1 \Rightarrow xy) = x!y!(e_1 \Rightarrow x)(e_1 \Rightarrow y) = D_1(x)D_1(y)$$

and this completes the proof.

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $L = (e_0, \dots, e_{n-1}, B)$  be a  $P_0$ -P-lattice and  $B^{n-1}$  be a direct power of a Boolean algebra  $B$ . Then there exists a  $(0,1)$ -lattice monomorphism from  $L$  to  $B^{n-1}$ .

**Proof.** If  $x = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} D_1(x)e_i$  is a representation  $(*)$  of element  $x$ , then we define  $h : L \rightarrow B^{n-1}$  by  $h(x) = (D_1(x), D_2(x), \dots, D_{n-1}(x))$ . By Theorem 2.3 we obtain  $h(x \cup y) = h(x) \cup h(y)$ ,  $h(xy) = h(x)h(y)$ ,  $h(0) = [0]$ ,  $h(1) = [1]$  where  $[b]$  stands for  $(b, b, \dots, b)$  for  $b \in B$ . Obviously  $h(\bar{b}) = [\bar{b}]$ .

By this theorem we can consider every  $P_0$ -P-lattice as the sublattice of some monotonic elements of  $B^{n-1}$ .  $((b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{n-1})$  is said to be a monotonic element if  $b_1 \geq b_2 \geq \dots \geq b_{n-1}$ ).

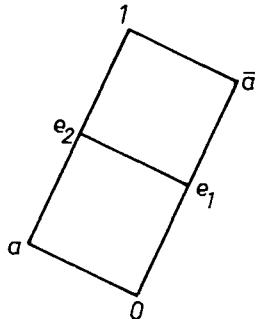
Observe that in a Post algebra, which is in particular a  $P_0$ -P-lattice, the representation  $(*)$  is the usual monotonic representation of element in a Post algebra, which is known to be unique.

The representation  $x = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} x_i e_i$  is said to be the highest monotonic representation of  $x$ , provided that  $x_i \geq y_i$  for any monotonic representation  $x = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} y_i e_i$ . If the highest monotonic representation exists, then  $x_i$  is denoted by  $D_1^h(x)$ . From [1] it is known that in  $P_0$ -P-lattices the highest monotonic

representation exists and  $D_1^h(x \cup y) = D_1^h(x) \cup D_1^h(y)$ ,  $D_1^h(xy) = D_1^h(x)D_1^h(y)$ , but  $D_1^h(b)$  is not equal to  $b$  in general. If  $P_0$ -lattice is a  $P_2$ -lattice (the condition  $(e_{i+1} \rightarrow e_i) = e_i$  is satisfied) then  $D_1^h(b) = b$  (see [1] and [4]). It is also known that in every  $P_0$ -lattice of order  $m$  there exists a unique chain base  $f_0, f_1, \dots, f_{m-1}$  such that  $L$  is a  $P_2$ -lattice, so we can introduce the highest monotonic representation in this base which satisfies  $D_1^h(b) = b$  for  $b \in B$ .

Anyway, the advantage of representation (\*) is that for a given  $P_0$ -lattice  $L = (e_0, \dots, e_{n-1}, B)$ , we can directly represent elements in  $B^{n-1}$  such that  $D_1^h(b) = b$  for  $b \in B$ , even if the unique base  $f_0, f_1, \dots, f_{m-1}$  and the order of  $L$  are unknown.

#### Example



This  $P_0$ -lattice is not a  $P_2$ -lattice because of  $\bar{a} \leq e_2$ , but it is not true that  $\bar{a} \leq e_1$ . Observe that in the highest representation  $\bar{a} \rightarrow (1, \bar{a}, \bar{a})$  so  $D_1^h(\bar{a}) = 1$ . By representation (\*) we obtain  $b \rightarrow (b, b, b)$  for  $b \in B = \{0, 1, a, \bar{a}\}$  and  $e_1 \rightarrow (\bar{a}, \bar{a}, 0)$ ,  $e_2 \rightarrow (1, 1, a)$ .

If we find the base of this  $P_0$ -lattice, such that  $P_0$ -lattice will be a  $P_2$ -lattice, we will get  $f_0 = 0$ ,  $f_1 = e_2$ ,  $f_2 = 1$ . Now, in the highest representation we obtain

$$b \rightarrow (b, b) \quad \text{for} \quad b \in B, \quad e_1 \rightarrow (\bar{a}, 0) \quad e_2 \rightarrow (1, a).$$

3. The Boolean algebra generated by  $P_0$ -P-lattice

**Lemma 3.1.** A  $P_0$ -P-lattice  $L = (e_0, \dots, e_{n-1}, B)$  is a Post algebra of order  $n$  if and only if  $D_i(e_j) = 1$  for  $i \leq j$  and  $D_i(e_j) = 0$  for  $i > j$ .

**Proof.** If a  $P_0$ -P-lattice  $L$  is a Post algebra of order  $n$  then  $(e_i \Rightarrow e_j) = 0$  for  $i > j$  (see [2]) and in particular  $(e_i \Rightarrow 0) = 0$ . Then  $e_i! = 1$ . Obviously  $(e_i \Rightarrow e_j) = 1$  for  $i \leq j$ , so  $D_i(e_j) = e_j!$  and  $(e_i \Rightarrow e_j)$  is equal to 1 for  $i \leq j$  and to 0 for  $i > j$ . If a  $P_0$ -P-lattice is not a Post algebra of order  $n$ , then there exists some  $i$  and  $0 \neq b \in B$  such that  $(e_i \Rightarrow e_{i-1}) = b$ . Hence  $b e_i \leq e_{i-1}$  and by th.2.4  $D_i(b) D_i(e_i) \leq D_i(e_{i-1})$  so  $b D_i(e_i) \leq D_i(e_{i-1})$ . Therefore, either  $D_i(e_i) < 1$  or  $D_i(e_i) = 1$  and  $D_i(e_{i-1}) \geq b \neq 0$ .

**Lemma 3.2.** The only chain  $E_n: e_0 = [0] \leq e_1 \leq \dots \leq e_{n-1} = [1]$  of monotonic elements  $\in B^{n-1}$  which together with the diagonal of  $B^{n-1}$  (denoted by  $[B]$ ) generates  $B^{n-1}$ , is the chain  $F_n: e_0 = [0], e_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0, 0), \dots, e_{n-2} = (1, 1, \dots, 1, 0), e_{n-1} = [1]$ .

**Proof.** Observe that  $(0, \dots, 0, b_i, 0, \dots, 0) = [b] \overline{e_{i-1}} e_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ , so  $F_n \cup [B]$  generates  $B^{n-1}$ . Suppose now that  $E_n \cup [B]$  generates  $B^{n-1}$ . Then every elements  $x \in B^{n-1}$  can be written in the form

$$(1) \quad x = \bigcup_{i,j=0}^{n-1} e_i \overline{e_j} [b_{ij}] = \bigcup_{i>j} e_i \overline{e_j} [b_{ij}],$$

$$i, j \in \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}.$$

In particular we get an element  $x = (1, \dots, 1, 0)$  in this form.

Suppose that  $e_i = (e_i^1, \dots, e_i^{n-1})$  for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$ . For the last two coordinates we obtain

$$\bigcup_{i>j} e_i^{n-2} \overline{e_j^{n-2}} b_{ij} = 1,$$

$$\bigcup_{i>j} e_i^{n-1} \overline{e_j^{n-1}} b_{ij} = 0.$$

From the second equality we get

$$\bigcup_{j=0}^{n-2} \overline{e_j^{n-1}} b_{n-1j} = 0, \quad \text{so} \quad \bigcup_{j=0}^{n-2} \overline{e_j^{n-2}} b_{n-1j} = 0.$$

Then  $1 \leq \bigcup_{i>j}^{n-2} e_i^{n-2} \overline{e_j^{n-2}} b_{ij} \leq e_{n-2}^{n-2} \bigcup_{i>j}^{n-2} b_{ij}$  because  $e_i^{n-2} \leq e_{n-2}^{n-2}$   
for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-2$  and  $\overline{e_j^{n-2}} \leq \overline{e_0^{n-2}} = 1$  for  $j = 0, 1, \dots, n-3$ , so

$$(2) \quad e_{n-2}^{n-2} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad e_{n-2} = (1, 1, \dots, 1, e_{n-2}^{n-1}).$$

Observe that if  $E_n \cup [B]$  generates  $B^{n-1}$ , then obviously  
 $E'_n : e'_i = (e_1^1, \dots, e_i^{n-2})$ ,  $i = 0, \dots, n-1$ , with the diagonal  
of  $B^{n-2}$  generates  $B^{n-2}$ . But by (2)  $e'_{n-2} = e'_{n-1} = (1, 1, \dots, 1)$ ,  
so the chain  $e'_0, e'_1, \dots, e'_{n-2}$  is the chain  $E_{n-1}$ .

Applying (2) for  $E_{n-1}$  and so on, we obtain

$$e_0 = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 0)$$

$$e_1 = (1, e_1^2, \dots, e_1^{n-2}, e_1^{n-1})$$

$$(3) \quad E_n : \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots$$

$$e_{n-2} = (1, 1, \dots, 1, e_{n-2}^{n-1})$$

$$e_{n-1} = (1, 1, \dots, 1, 1).$$

For  $n = 3$ , let  $E_3 = \{e_0 = (0, 0), e_1 = (1, e_1^2), e_2 = (1, 1)\}$  be  
the chain such that  $E_3 \cup [B]$  generates  $B^2$ . Then an element  
 $x = (0, 1) \in B^2$  can be written in the form

$$\bigcup_{i>j} e_i \bar{e}_j [b_{ij}] = (0, 1), \quad i, j \in \{0, 1, 2\}$$

Hence

$$b_{20} \cup b_{10} = 0,$$

$$b_{20} \cup \overline{e_1^2} b_{21} \cup \overline{e_1^2} b_{10} = 1.$$

Thus  $\overline{e_1^2} b_{21} = 1$  and  $\overline{e_1^2} = 1$ , so  $e_1^2 = 0$  and  $E_3 = F_3$ . Suppose that for  $k \geq 3$  the only chain  $E_k$ , such that  $E_k \cup [B]$  generates  $B^{k-1}$  is  $F_k$ . By (3), the chain  $E_{k+1}$  has the form

$$e_0 = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 0)$$

$$e_1 = (1, e_1^2, \dots, e_1^{k-1}, e_1^k)$$

$$(4) \quad E_{k+1} : \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots$$

$$e_{k-1} = (1, 1, \dots, 1, e_{k-1}^k)$$

$$e_k = (1, 1, \dots, 1, 1).$$

If  $E_{k+1} \cup [B]$  generates  $B^k$  then  $E'_{k+1} = E_k$  with diagonal of  $B^{k-1}$  generates  $B^{k-1}$ .

By the inductive assumption  $E_k = F_k$ , so

$$e_0 = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 0)$$

$$e_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0, 0)$$

$$(5) \quad E_{k+1} = \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots$$

$$e_{k-1} = (1, 1, \dots, 1, e_{k-1}^k)$$

$$e_k = (1, 1, \dots, 1, 1).$$

Express the element  $x = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 1) \in B^k$  in the form

$$\bigcup_{i>j} e_i \overline{e_j} [b_{ij}] = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 1), \quad i, j \in \{0, 1, \dots, k\}.$$

For the last two coordinates we obtain

$$\bigcup_{j=0}^{k-2} b_{k-1,j} \cup \bigcup_{j=0}^{k-2} b_{kj} = 0$$

and

$$e_{k-1}^k \bigcup_{j=0}^{k-2} b_{k-1,j} \cup \bigcup_{j=0}^{k-2} b_{kj} \cup \overline{e_{k-1}^k} b_{kk-1} = 1.$$

Hence  $\overline{e_{k-1}^k} = 1$  and  $e_{k-1}^k = 0$ , so  $E_{k+1} = F_{k+1}$  which completes the proof.

Theorem 3.3. A  $P_0$ -P-lattice  $L = (e_0, e_1, \dots, e_{n-1}, B)$  generates  $B^{n-1}$  if and only if  $L$  is a Post algebra. (It is understood that  $L$  is a  $(0,1)$ -sublattice of  $B^{n-1}$  as in Theorem 2.4).

Proof. If  $L$  is a Post algebra, then by Lemma 3.1 the constants  $e_1, \dots, e_{n-1}$  must be as follows  $e_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0), \dots, e_{n-1} = (1, 1, \dots, 1)$  and  $B = [B]$  of course. Then by Lemma 3.2  $L$  generates  $B^{n-1}$ . On the other hand, if  $L$  is not any Post algebra, then by Lemma 3.1 there exists the constant  $e_i \neq (1, \dots, 1, \underbrace{0 \dots 0}_i)$ .

Then by Lemma 3.2  $L$  does not generate  $B^{n-1}$ .

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