

## CONGRUENCE LATTICES OF ALGEBRAS OF FIXED SIMILARITY TYPE, II

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**A celebrated theorem of G. Grätzer and E. T. Schmidt shows that every algebraic lattice can be represented as the congruence lattice of some universal algebra. That result naturally provokes questions concerning possible refinements. This paper provides sufficient conditions for an algebraic lattice to be representable as the congruence lattice of a groupoid.**

Part I, [5], showed that the subspace lattice of each infinite dimensional vector space over any uncountable field is not the congruence lattice of any algebra of countable similarity type. It also presented some necessary conditions for an algebraic lattice to be representable as the congruence lattice of an algebra of countable similarity type.

Suppose  $L$  is an algebraic lattice. We shall say that  $L$  is a *pinched lattice* iff there exists a set  $I$  of compact elements of  $L$  such that  $\bigvee I = 1$  and such that each compact element of  $L$  is comparable to every element of  $I$ . Each algebraic lattice with a compact unit element is a pinched lattice. So are ordinal sums of such lattices and certain homomorphic images of such sums.

The principal result of this paper is

**THEOREM 1.**  *$L$  is isomorphic to the congruence lattice of a groupoid if  $L$  is isomorphic to one of the following:*

- (i) *a pinched lattice;*
- (ii) *the lattice of ideals of a distributive lattice;*
- (iii) *a direct product of lattices satisfying (i) or (ii).*

In his 1980 paper [24], E. T. Schmidt shows that the ideal lattice of any distributive lattice can be represented as the congruence lattice of a lattice. From the lattice theory point of view this is a vast improvement over the the appropriate part of Theorem 1. Also, using McKenzie's type reduction theorem (see [17]), one obtains as a corollary that any such lattice has a representation in similarity type  $\langle 2, 1 \rangle$ . As yet, there is no reduction theorem which reduces finite type to type  $\langle 2 \rangle$ . Theorem 1 provides representations in the latter type.

Theorem 1 was announced in 1977 lectures in Budapest, at the

Esztergom Colloquium and in [17]. The latter includes a survey of this field.

By Theorem 1 we see that the class of lattices isomorphic to congruence lattices of groupoids includes all finite lattices, all chains, and all projective planes. Also, each algebraic lattice  $L$  is a retract of an element in this class (see Figure 1).



FIGURE 1

The above theorem was discovered before the results of Part I. In fact, the failure of the author's attempts to improve Theorem 1 led to Part I.

§2 of the paper contains preliminaries. §3 is devoted to part (i). The proof of (ii) is in §4. §5 contains a generalization of (iii). It provides sufficient conditions so that the congruence lattice of a direct sum of algebras is the direct product of the congruence lattices of the algebras. Theorem 1 is a representation theorem. §6 contains a nonrepresentation theorem (Theorem 5) and concluding remarks.

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**2. Preliminaries.** The various lemmas in this section are either well known or trivial. So no proofs are included.

Generally, the terminology will be as in Grätzer's book [8], but the notations will differ somewhat. For example, we will use bold-face letters, such as  $\mathbf{A}$ , to denote algebras, while letters such as  $A$  will denote the underlying set of an algebra. Suppose  $\theta$  is an equivalence relation.  $a/\theta$  will denote the  $\theta$  class to which  $a$  belongs. Both  $a \equiv b (\theta)$  and  $a\theta b$  will be used to denote  $\langle a, b \rangle \in \theta$ . For a subset

$S$  of the domain of  $\theta$ ,  $\theta|_S$  will denote  $\theta \cap (S \times S)$ .  $\Delta$  is the diagonal or equality relation. Dmn and Rng are used as abbreviations for domain and range, respectively. For example,  $\text{Dmn}(\cdot, A)$  will mean the domain of the partial operation  $\cdot$  in the partial algebra  $A$ .  $\text{Con } A$  and  $\text{Con}(A)$  will both variously denote the set and lattice of congruence relations of  $A$ .

Suppose  $A$  is a set and  $C$  is some set of subsets of  $A$ . For  $S \subseteq A$  we set

$$[S]_C = \bigcap (X \in C: S \subseteq X)$$

provided this intersection is an element of  $C$ . Otherwise,  $[S]_C$  is undefined. We call  $[S]_C$  the  $C$ -closure of  $S$ . As usual,  $[a]_C$  abbreviates  $[\{a\}]_C$ . Obviously, when it exists,  $[S]_C$  is the  $X \in C$  satisfying: (i)  $S \subseteq X \in C$ ; (ii)  $S \subseteq Y \in C$  implies  $X \subseteq Y$ . Recall that  $C$  is a closure system iff  $[S]_C$  exists for each  $S \subseteq A$ .  $C$  is an algebraic closure system iff  $C$  is a closure system and the union of any up-directed subset of  $C$  is also an element of  $C$ . Suppose that  $C$  is a collection of subsets of  $A \times A$ , each of which is an equivalence relation on  $A$ . Then, for  $a, b \in A$  and  $p \in A \times A$  we also use  $\theta_C(a, b)$  to denote  $[\langle a, b \rangle]_C$  and  $\theta_C(p)$  to denote  $[p]_C$ . Similarly  $\theta_C(S) = [S]_C$  for  $S \subseteq A \times A$ . Also, for  $a, b, c \in A$ ,  $\theta_C(a, b, c) = \theta_C(\{\langle a, b \rangle, \langle b, c \rangle\}) = [\{\langle a, b \rangle, \langle b, c \rangle\}]_C$ , etc. If  $C = \text{Con } A$ , we will, as usual, use  $\theta(a, b)$  instead of  $\theta_{\text{Con } A}(a, b)$ . A principal congruence is one of the form  $\theta(a, b)$ .

**DEFINITION.** Suppose  $C$  is a collection of subsets of the set  $A$ .  $C$  is a basis iff the  $C$ -closure of each finite subset of  $A$  exists and  $C = \{[F]_C: F \text{ is a finite subset of } A\}$ .

**PROPOSITION 1.** Given a basis  $B$ , then  $C = \{X: X \text{ is the union of an up-directed subset of } B\}$  is an algebraic closure system. Moreover, given any algebraic closure system  $C$ , the set  $B = \{[F]_C: F \text{ is a finite subset of } \bigcup C\}$  is a basis, and  $C$  is the set of unions of up-directed subsets of  $B$ .

**LEMMA 2.** Suppose  $C$  is a collection of subsets of the set  $A$ .  $C$  is a basis iff the following hold:

- (i)  $\langle C; \subseteq \rangle$  is a join semilattice with zero;
- (ii)  $[a]_C$  exists for every  $a \in A$ ;
- (iii)  $\{[a]_C: a \in A\}$  generates  $C$  as a join semilattice.

**PROPOSITION 3.** Suppose  $B$  is a basis on  $A$  and  $X \subseteq B$ . If in  $\langle B; \subseteq \rangle$  the meet (or infimum) of  $X$  exists, then  $\bigwedge X = \bigcap X$ .

**LEMMA 4.** Suppose  $A$  is a partial algebra,  $\phi \in \text{Con } A$ ,  $B \subseteq \text{Con } A$ ,

$B$  is a basis on  $A \times A$ . If  $\Phi \subseteq \Theta$  for each  $\Theta \in B$ , then  $B/\Phi = \{\Theta/\Phi: \Theta \in B\}$  is a basis, and  $\langle B; \subseteq \rangle$  is isomorphic to  $\langle B/\Phi; \subseteq \rangle$ .

Observe that under the above hypotheses,  $x\Phi x'$  and  $y\Phi y'$  imply  $\Theta_B(x, y) = \Theta_B(x', y')$ . Whence  $\Theta_{B/\Phi}(x/\Phi, y/\Phi) = (\Theta_B(x, y))/\Phi$ . Lemma 4 follows from Lemma 2.

In the situation under discussion in the preceding paragraph, the relations  $\Theta_{B/\Phi}(x/\Phi, y/\Phi)$  and  $\Theta_B(x, y)$  are completely unambiguous, even though there may be some ambiguity as to the pair  $\langle x, y \rangle$ . At certain parts of the proofs there will be such  $x, x', y, y'$  where  $\Theta_B(x, y)$  and  $\Theta_B(x', y')$  will have different "natural descriptions." This situation can create an apparent, but spurious, ambiguity in the meaning of  $\Theta_{B/\Phi}(x/\Phi, y/\Phi)$ .

Suppose  $C$  is a basis on  $A \times A$  consisting of equivalence relations on  $A$  and  $D \subseteq A$ . Then we say " $x$  is the closest thing to  $y$  in  $D$ , modulo  $C$ " and we write

$$x \text{ CLS } y \text{ (in } D, \text{ mod } C)$$

iff the following hold:

- (i)  $x \in D$ ;
- (ii)  $\theta_c(x, y) \subseteq \theta_c(z, y)$  for every  $z \in D$ ;
- (iii)  $x = y$  if  $y \in D$ .

A *partial pointed groupoid* is a partial algebra  $\langle A, \cdot, 0 \rangle$  in which  $\cdot$  is a binary partial operation and  $0$  is a nullary operation and  $0 \cdot 0$  is defined and equals  $0$ . A *pointed groupoid* is a partial pointed groupoid  $\langle A, \cdot, 0 \rangle$  in which  $\text{Dmn}(\cdot) = A \times A$ . More generally,  $A$  is a *pointed algebra* iff  $A$  is an algebra and  $0$  is a nullary operation of  $A$  and  $\{0\}$  is a subalgebra of  $A$ .

Suppose  $A$  and  $B$  are sets,  $A \subseteq B$ ,  $\theta$  is an equivalence relation on  $A$ , and  $\Phi$  is an equivalence relation on  $B$ .  $\Phi$  is an *extension* of  $\theta$  iff  $\theta = \Phi|_A = \Phi \cap (A \times A)$ .

Suppose  $A = \langle A, \cdot, 0 \rangle$  is a partial pointed groupoid. The set  $A[\cdot]$  is formed by adding to  $A$  a new point for each  $\langle x, y \rangle$  such that  $x \cdot y$  is undefined in  $A$ . We intend this new point to be the value of  $x \cdot y$ . One obtains a partial pointed groupoid  $A[\cdot] = \langle A[\cdot], \cdot, 0 \rangle$ , in which  $\text{Dom}(\cdot, A[\cdot]) = A^2$ , called *A freely extended by  $\cdot$* . Note that if  $x \cdot y = u \cdot v \in A[\cdot] - A$ , then  $x = u$  and  $y = v$ .  $A[\cdot]$  is an extension of  $A$ . Set  $A[\cdot]_0 = \langle A[\cdot]_0, \cdot, 0 \rangle = A$ . Set  $A[\cdot]_{n+1} = \langle A[\cdot]_{n+1}, \cdot, 0 \rangle = (A[\cdot]_n)[\cdot]$ . The *pointed groupoid freely generated by  $A$*  is  $\text{Fr}(A) = \langle \text{Fr}(A), \cdot, 0 \rangle = \langle \mathbf{U}(A[\cdot]_n: n = 0, 1, \dots), \cdot, 0 \rangle$ .  $\text{Fr}(A)$  is a pointed groupoid (i.e.,  $\cdot$  is fully defined), and  $\text{Fr}(A)$  satisfies an appropriate universal mapping property. Note that the subalgebra generated by  $A$  in  $\text{Fr}(A)$  is  $\text{Fr}(A)$ .

LEMMA 5. Suppose  $A = \langle A, \cdot, 0 \rangle$  is a partial pointed groupoid and  $\theta \in \text{Con}(A)$ .  $\theta$  has an extension to a congruence relation of  $A[\cdot]$ , and for its smallest extension,  $\theta[\cdot]$ , the following hold:

- (i) if  $a, b \in A$ , then  $a \equiv b (\theta[\cdot])$  iff  $a \equiv b (\theta)$ ;
- (ii) if  $a \in A$  and  $b = u \cdot v \notin A$ . then  $a \equiv b (\theta[\cdot])$  iff there exists  $\langle r, s \rangle \in \text{Dom}(\cdot, A)$  such that  $a \equiv r \cdot s (\theta)$ ,  $r \equiv u (\theta)$  and  $s \equiv v (\theta)$ ;
- (iii) if  $a = x \cdot y \notin A$  and  $b = u \cdot v \notin A$ , then  $a \equiv b (\theta[\cdot])$  iff one of the following holds:
  - (iii<sub>1</sub>)  $x \equiv u (\theta)$  and  $y \equiv v (\theta)$ ;
  - (iii<sub>2</sub>) there exist  $\langle p, q \rangle, \langle r, s \rangle \in \text{Dom}(\cdot, A)$  such that  $x \equiv p (\theta)$ ,  $y \equiv q (\theta)$ ,  $p \cdot q \equiv r \cdot s (\theta)$ ,  $r \equiv u (\theta)$ , and  $s \equiv v (\theta)$ .

This lemma is simply a specialization of Lemma 3, p. 92 of [8].

Set  $\theta[\cdot]_0 = \theta$  and  $\theta[\cdot]_{n+1} = (\theta[\cdot]_n)[\cdot]$  and  $\text{Fr}(\theta) = \bigcup (\theta[\cdot]_n; n = 0, 1, \dots)$ .

LEMMA 6. Suppose  $A = \langle A; \cdot, 0 \rangle$  is a partial pointed groupoid and  $\theta \in \text{Con}(A)$ . Then  $\text{Fr}(\theta)$  is an extension of  $\theta$ , and it is the smallest extension of  $\theta$  to a congruence relation of  $\text{Fr}(A)$ , the groupoid freely generated by  $A$ .

Suppose  $L$  is a lattice of equivalence relations on some set.  $L$  is a type-3 partition lattice, or  $L$  has type-3 joins, iff  $x \vee y = x \circ y \circ x \circ y$  for any  $x, y \in L$ , where  $\circ$  denotes relation composition.  $L$  is type-2 iff every  $x \vee y = x \circ y \circ x$ .

Suppose  $L$  is an algebraic lattice.  $C(L)$  denotes the set or semilattice of compact elements of  $L$ .

We will use  $xy$  to stand for  $x \cdot y$  and  $Ab$  or  $A \cdot b$  for  $\{ab: a \in A\} = \{a \cdot b: b \in A\}$ , etc.

3. Pinched lattices. Suppose  $\alpha$  is an ordinal and  $(L_\beta: \beta < \alpha)$  is a family of partially ordered sets. The ordinal sum of  $(L_\beta: \beta < \alpha)$ ,  $O\Sigma(L_\beta: \beta < \alpha)$ , is a poset on the disjoint union of the family  $(L_\beta: \beta < \alpha)$  with the ordering defined by  $x \leq y$  iff  $x \in L_\beta$  and  $y \in L_\gamma$  and  $\beta < \gamma$  or else  $\beta = \gamma$  and  $x \leq y$  in  $L_\beta$ . Suppose each  $L_\beta$  has a greatest element  $1_\beta$  and a least element  $0_\beta$ . The collapsed ordinal sum of the family  $(L_\beta: \beta < \alpha)$ — $CO\Sigma(L_\beta: \beta < \alpha)$ —is the maximal homomorphic image of  $O\Sigma(L_\beta: \beta < \alpha)$  satisfying  $1_\beta = 0_{\beta+1}$  for every  $\beta$  such that  $\beta + 1 < \alpha$ .

PROPOSITION 1. If  $L$  is a pinched lattice, then there is a set  $I$  of compact element of  $L$  such that  $I$  is well ordered by the ordering of  $L$  and such that  $\bigvee I = 1$  and such that each compact element of  $L$  is comparable to every element  $I$ .

PROPOSITION 2. *L is a pinched lattice iff one of the following holds:*

- (a) *L is an algebraic lattice whose unit element is compact;*
- (b) *L is isomorphic to an ordinal sum  $M + \{1\}$  and  $M$  is a collapsed ordinal sum of algebraic lattices each of which has a compact unit element.*

In this section we shall show that each pinched lattice can be represented as the congruence lattice of a groupoid. The construction will involve transfinite recursions. The proofs will involve transfinite induction. The induction hypothesis will include the following list of conditions. In that list and in what follows  $\vee$  means the join in  $\langle H; \subseteq \rangle$  and *not* the join in  $\text{Con } A$ .

- (#) (A)  $A$  is a partial pointed groupoid.
- (B)  $H \subseteq \text{Con}(A)$  and  $\Delta \in H$  and  $\rho: A \rightarrow H$ .
- (C)  $H$  is a basis.
- (D)  $\text{Rng}(\rho)$  is a well ordered cofinal subset of  $\langle H; \subseteq \rangle$ .
- (E) For every  $a \in A$  and  $\emptyset \in H$  it is the case that  $\rho(a)$  and  $\emptyset$  are comparable in  $\langle H; \subseteq \rangle$ .
- (F) For every  $a \in A$  we have  $\rho(a) = \bigwedge \{\rho(b): a \equiv 0 \ (\rho(b))\}$ .
- (G) There is a  $D \subseteq A$  such that  $\emptyset \neq D \times D = \text{Dmn}(\cdot, A)$ .
- (H) For every  $a \in A$  there is a  $c \in D$  satisfying  $c \text{CLS } a$  (in  $D, \text{mod } H$ ).
- (I) For every  $a, b \in A$  there are  $c, d \in D$  satisfying  $\Theta_H(a, b) \supseteq \Theta_H(c, d)$  such that  $a$  and  $c$  satisfy the condition in (H) and such that  $b$  and  $d$  also satisfy this condition.
- (J) For every  $u, v, x, y \in D$  we have either  $\Theta_H(ux, vy) = \Theta_H(u, v) \vee \Theta_H(x, y)$  or  $\Theta_H(x, y) = \rho(u, v, x, y)$ , where  $\rho(u, v, x, y)$  is an abbreviation for  $\rho(u) \vee \rho(v) \vee \rho(x) \vee \rho(y)$ .

(K) For every  $\theta \in \text{Con } A$ ,  $\theta$  contains the  $H$ -closure of each of its finite subsets iff  $\theta$  contains the  $H$ -closure of each of its elements.

Let  $u, r, x, y \in A$ . We set  $\Phi(ux, vy) = \Theta_H(u, v) \vee \Theta_H(x, y)$ . Note that  $\Phi(ux, vy)$  is defined even if  $ux$  or  $vy$  is not. We set  $\Psi(ux, vy) = \Theta_H(u, q) \vee \Theta_H(x, s) \vee \Theta_H(qs, rt) \vee \Theta_H(r, v) \vee \Theta_H(t, y)$ , where  $q \text{CLS } u$  (in  $D, \text{mod } H$ ) and  $r \text{CLS } v$  (in  $D, \text{mod } H$ ) and  $s \text{CLS } x$  (in  $D, \text{mod } H$ ) and  $t \text{CLS } y$  (in  $D, \text{mod } H$ ). Suppose  $\langle A, H, \rho \rangle$  satisfies (#) and  $\theta \in H$ . Note that  $\Psi(ux, vy)$  is independent of the choice of  $q, r, s, t$ . It follows from Lemma 2.5 that if  $ux \in A[\cdot] - A$  and  $vy \in A[\cdot] - A$ , then  $ux \equiv vy \ (\theta[\cdot])$  iff  $\Phi(ux, vy) \subseteq \theta$  or  $\Psi(ux, vy) \subseteq \theta$ .

LEMMA 3. *Suppose  $\langle A, H, \rho \rangle$  satisfies (#). Then, for every  $x, y, u, v$  there are  $q, r, s, t$  as above also satisfying  $\Theta_H(u, v) \supseteq \Theta_H(q, r)$  and  $\Theta_H(x, y) \supseteq \Theta_H(s, t)$ . Moreover,  $\Psi(ux, vy)$  exists and:*

- (i) if  $\Theta_H(qs, rt) = \Theta_H(q, r) \vee \Theta_H(s, t)$ , then  $\Phi(ux, vy) \subseteq \Psi(ux, vy)$ ;
- (ii) if  $\Theta_H(qs, rt) \neq \Theta_H(q, r) \vee \Theta_H(s, t)$  and  $\Theta_H(u, q) \vee \Theta_H(x, s) \vee \Theta_H(r, v) \vee \Theta_H(t, y) \supseteq \rho(q, r, s, t)$ , then  $\Phi(u, vy) \subseteq \Psi(ux, vy)$ ;
- (iii) if  $\Theta_H(qs, rt) \neq \Theta_H(q, r) \vee \Theta_H(s, t)$  and  $\Theta_H(u, q) \vee \Theta_H(x, s) \vee \Theta_H(r, v) \vee \Theta_H(t, y) \subseteq \rho(q, r, s, t)$ , then  $\Psi(ux, vy) \subseteq \Phi(ux, vy)$  and  $\Theta_H(x, y) = \rho(u, v, x, y)$ ;
- (iv)  $\Phi(ux, vy)$  and  $\Psi(ux, vy)$  are comparable.

*Proof of Lemma 3.* By (H) and (I) of (#) such  $q, r, s, t$  exist, and so  $\Psi(ux, vy)$  exists. For (iv), keep in mind that  $\Psi(ux, vy)$  is independent of the choice of  $q, r, s, t$ . The rest now follows easily from (D), (E), (F) and (J) of (#) and the following observations. In (ii), we clearly have  $\Phi(ux, vy) \subseteq \Theta_H(u, q) \vee \Theta_H(x, s) \vee \Theta_H(r, v) \vee \Theta_H(t, y)$ . In (iii), we have  $\rho(q, r, s, t) \supseteq \Psi(ux, vy)$  and  $\Theta_H(x, y) \supseteq \Theta_H(s, t) = \rho(q, r, s, t) \supseteq \Phi(ux, vy) \supseteq \Theta_H(x, y)$ . Since  $\Theta_H(x, y) = \rho(q, r, s, t)$ , by (D) and (F) of (#),  $\Theta_H(x, y) = \rho(x, y)$ . Moreover,  $\rho(x, y) = \rho(x, y, u, v) = \rho(q, r, s, t)$ .

**DEFINITION.** Suppose  $\langle A, H, \rho \rangle$  satisfies (#).  $\langle A^*, H^*, \rho^* \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A, H, \rho \rangle$  iff the following hold:

- (i)  $A^*$  is an extension of  $A$ ;
- (ii)  $A \times A \subseteq \text{Dmn}(\cdot, A^*)$ ;
- (iii)  $[\Theta]_{H^*} \cap (A \times A) = \Theta$  for any  $\Theta \in H$ ;
- (iv)  $H^* = \{[\Theta]_{H^*} : \Theta \in H\}$ ;
- (v) For each  $a \in A$ , we have  $\rho^*(a) = [\rho(a)]_{H^*}$ ;
- (vi)  $\text{Rng}(\rho^*) = \{[\Theta]_{H^*} : \Theta \in \text{Rng } \rho\}$ ;
- (vii)  $\langle A^*, H^*, \rho^* \rangle$  also satisfies (#).

Note that it is implicit in (iii) of this definition that  $[\Theta]_{H^*}$  is required to exist for each  $\Theta \in H$ .

Next we state the principal lemmas for this section.

Recall that  $C(L)$  is the set or semilattice of compact elements of  $L$ .

**LEMMA 4.** *If  $L$  is a pinched lattice, then there is a  $\langle B, H, \rho \rangle$  satisfying (#) with  $C(L) \cong \langle H; \subseteq \rangle$ .*

Set  $H[\cdot] = \{\Theta[\cdot] : \Theta \in H\}$ . We define  $\rho[\cdot]$  by  $\rho[\cdot](a) = \rho(a)[\cdot]$  if  $a \in A$  and  $\rho[\cdot](ab) = (\bigwedge \{\rho(c) : ab \equiv 0 \ (\rho(c)[\cdot])\})[\cdot]$ .

**LEMMA 5.** *If  $\langle A, H, \rho \rangle$  satisfies (#), then  $H[\cdot]$  is a basis and  $\langle A[\cdot], H[\cdot], \rho[\cdot] \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A, H, \rho \rangle$ .*

**LEMMA 6.** *Suppose:*

- (i)  $\alpha$  is a limit ordinal;
  - (ii) for any  $\beta < \gamma < \alpha$   $\langle A_\gamma, H_\gamma, \rho_\gamma \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A_\beta, H_\beta, \rho_\beta \rangle$ ;
  - (iii)  $A_\alpha = \langle A_\alpha, \cdot, 0 \rangle = \langle \bigcup(A_\beta: \beta < \alpha), \cdot, 0 \rangle$ ;
  - (iv) for each  $\theta \in H_0$  we have  $\theta_\alpha = \bigcup([\theta]_{H_\beta}: \beta < \alpha)$  and  $H_\alpha = \{\theta_\alpha: \theta \in H_0\}$ ;
  - (v) for each  $a \in A_\alpha$  we have  $\rho_\alpha(a) = \bigcup(\rho_\beta(a): \beta < \alpha \text{ and } a \in A_\beta)$ .
- Then  $A_\alpha$  is a pointed groupoid and  $\langle A_\alpha, H_\alpha, \rho_\alpha \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A_\beta, H_\beta, \rho_\beta \rangle$  for all  $\beta < \alpha$ .

Suppose  $\langle A, H, \rho \rangle$  satisfies (#). Set  $\langle A_0, H_0, \rho_0 \rangle = \langle A, H, \rho \rangle$  and set  $\langle A_{n+1}, H_{n+1}, \rho_{n+1} \rangle = \langle A_n[\cdot], H_n[\cdot], \rho_n[\cdot] \rangle$ . Then  $\langle A_\omega, H_\omega, \rho_\omega \rangle = \langle Fr(A), \{Fr(\theta): \theta \in H\}, \rho_\omega \rangle$ . So we set  $Fr(H) = H_\omega$  and  $Fr(\rho) = \rho_\omega$ .

LEMMA 7. If  $\langle A, H, \rho \rangle$  satisfies (#), then  $\langle Fr(A), Fr(H), Fr(\rho) \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A, H, \rho \rangle$ .

Suppose that  $\langle A, H, \rho \rangle$  satisfies (#) and  $Dmn(\cdot, A) = A^2$ . Also suppose  $\lambda = \langle a, b, c, d \rangle \in A^4$  and  $a \neq b$  and  $c \equiv d (\theta_H(a, b))$ . Take  $p, q, r \in A$  and set  $A' = \langle A \cup \{p, q, r\}, \cdot, 0 \rangle$  where  $x \cdot y$  is defined (and equal  $x \cdot y$  in  $A$ ) iff  $x, y \in A$ . For  $\theta \in H$  with  $\rho(a, b, c, d) \supset \theta$ , set  $\theta' = \theta \cup \{\langle p, p \rangle, \langle q, q \rangle, \langle r, r \rangle\}$ . For  $\theta \in H$  with  $\rho(a, b, c, d) \subseteq \theta$ , set  $\theta' = \theta \cup (0/\theta \cup \{p, q, r\})^2$ . (Note that by (E) of (#)  $\theta'$  is defined for each  $\theta \in H$ .)  $H' = \{\theta': \theta \in H\}$ . Set  $\rho'(p) = \rho'(q) = \rho'(r) = (\rho(a, b, c, d))'$  and  $\rho'(x) = (\rho(x))'$  if  $x \in A$ . Let  $\Phi$  be the smallest equivalence relation on  $A'[\cdot]$  which includes  $\langle c, ap \rangle$  and  $\langle bp, bq \rangle$  and  $\langle aq, ar \rangle$  and  $\langle br, d \rangle$ .  $\Phi$  is a congruence relation of  $A'[\cdot]$  because  $\Phi|_{A'}$  is the equality relation and  $Dmn(\cdot, A'[\cdot]) = (A')^2$ . Set  $A_\lambda = (A'[\cdot])/\Phi = \langle A_\lambda, \cdot, 0 \rangle$ . Since  $\Phi|_{A'} = \Delta$ ,  $A_\lambda$  is an extension of  $A'$ . So we assume  $A' \subseteq A_\lambda$ . For each  $\theta \in H$ , let  $\theta_\lambda$  be the smallest congruence relation of  $A_\lambda$  containing  $\theta'$ . We let  $H_\lambda = \{\theta_\lambda: \theta \in H\}$ . For  $x \in A'$  we set  $\rho_\lambda(x) = ((\rho'(x))|_{A_\lambda})_\lambda$ , and for  $x \in A_\lambda - A'$  we set  $\rho_\lambda(x) = (\bigwedge\{\rho(c): 0 \equiv x ((\rho(c))_\lambda)\})_\lambda$ .

LEMMA 8. Under the above hypotheses the following hold:

- (i)  $\langle A', H', \rho' \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A, H, \rho \rangle$ ;
- (ii)  $\langle A_\lambda, H_\lambda, \rho_\lambda \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A, H, \rho \rangle$ ;
- (iii) in  $A_\lambda$  we have  $c \equiv d (\theta(a, b))$ .

The last part of the above lemma means that if  $\Psi \in Con(A_\lambda)$  and  $a \equiv b (\Psi)$ , then also  $c \equiv d (\Psi)$ .

We will prove these lemmas later.

THEOREM 2. If  $L$  is a pinched lattice, then there is a pointed groupoid  $A$  satisfying the following:

- (i)  $Con(A)$  is isomorphic to  $L$ ;

- (ii) if  $c \equiv d (\Theta(a, b))$ , then there are  $p, q, r \in A$  so that  $c = ap$  and  $bp = bq$  and  $aq = ar$  and  $br = d$ ;
- (iii) all joins in  $\text{Con } A$  are type-3.

We shall prove this theorem assuming Lemmas 4-8. We can slightly reduce our total notational complexity by first proving another lemma.

Suppose  $A$  is a pointed groupoid and  $\langle A, H, \rho \rangle$  satisfies (#). Index  $\{\lambda: \lambda = \langle a, b, c, d \rangle \in A^4, a \neq b, c \equiv d (\Theta_H(a, b))\}$  by its cardinal number  $\kappa$ . Set  $\langle A, H, \rho \rangle = \langle A_0, H_0, \rho_0 \rangle$ . Suppose  $\alpha \leq \kappa$  and  $\langle A_\beta, H_\beta, \rho_\beta \rangle$  has been defined for all  $\beta < \alpha$  and for  $\gamma < \beta < \alpha$   $\langle A_\beta, H_\beta, \rho_\beta \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A_\gamma, H_\gamma, \rho_\gamma \rangle$  and  $A_\beta$  is a pointed groupoid for all  $\beta < \alpha$ . If  $\alpha = \beta + 1$ , set  $\langle A_\alpha, H_\alpha, \rho_\alpha \rangle = \langle \text{Fr}((A_\beta)_{\lambda_\beta}), \text{Fr}((H_\beta)_{\lambda_\beta}), \text{Fr}((\rho_\beta)_{\lambda_\beta}) \rangle$ . If  $\alpha$  is a limit ordinal, then we let  $\langle A_\alpha, H_\alpha, \rho_\alpha \rangle$  be given by Lemma 6. Set  $\langle A'', H'', \rho'' \rangle = \langle A_\kappa, H_\kappa, \rho_\kappa \rangle$ .

LEMMA 9. Under the above hypotheses the following hold:

- (i)  $A''$  is a pointed groupoid;
- (ii)  $\langle A'', H'', \rho'' \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A, H, \rho \rangle$ ;
- (iii) if  $a, b \in A$  and  $c \equiv d (\Theta_H(a, b))$ ; then there are  $p, q, r \in A''$  so that  $c = ap$  and  $bp = bq$  and  $aq = ar$  and  $br = d$ .
- (iv) if  $a, b \in A$ , then in  $A''$  we have  $\Theta(a, b) \supseteq \Theta_H(a, b)$ .

REMARK. It is a general fact that if  $\langle C, K, \sigma \rangle$  is an extension of some  $\langle B, H, \rho \rangle$ , then the mapping which sends  $\Theta \rightarrow [\Theta]_K$  is an isomorphism from  $\langle H; \subseteq \rangle$  onto  $\langle K; \subseteq \rangle$ . This can be proved by noting that (iii) of the definition implies  $\Theta \subseteq \Phi$  iff  $[\Theta]_K \subseteq [\Phi]_K$  (and so the mapping is an order isomorphism) and (iv) of definition implies this mapping is onto. A further consequence is that if  $a, b, c, d \in B$  and  $c \equiv d (\Theta_H(a, b))$ , then also  $c \equiv d (\Theta_K(a, b))$ .

*Proof.* Using the last sentence in the remark and Lemmas 6, 7, and 8 and transfinite induction, one can easily show for each  $\alpha \leq \kappa$  that  $\langle A_\alpha, H_\alpha, \rho_\alpha \rangle$  exists and is an extension of each  $\langle A_\beta, H_\beta, \rho_\beta \rangle$  with  $\beta \leq \alpha$  and that  $A_\alpha$  is a pointed groupoid. Thus (i) and (ii) hold.

Let  $a, b \in A$ , and let  $c \equiv d (\Theta_H(a, b))$ . Suppose  $a \neq b$ . Then since  $\langle a, b, c, d \rangle$  is some  $\lambda_\beta$  we have the required  $p, q, r$ . If  $A$  is the one element algebra, we may (and must) take  $p = q = r = 0$ . Suppose  $|A| \geq 2$  and  $a = b$ . Then, since  $\Delta \in H, c = d$ . Choose any  $b' \neq a$ . Then  $\langle a, b', c, d \rangle$  is some  $\lambda_\beta$ . So in  $A''$  there is a  $p$  with  $ap = c = d$ . So in this case we let  $q = r = p$ . Thus (iii) holds. (iv) follows easily from (iii).

*Proof of Theorem 2.* Let  $L$  be a pinched lattice. Set  $\langle A_0, H_0, \rho_0 \rangle =$

$\langle Fr(B), Fr(H), Fr(\rho) \rangle$  where  $\langle B, H, \rho \rangle$  is given by Lemma 4. Set  $\langle A_{n+1}, H_{n+1}, \rho_{n+1} \rangle = \langle A''_n, H''_n, \rho''_{n+1} \rangle$  using the construction for Lemma 9. Consider  $\langle A_\omega, H_\omega, \rho_\omega \rangle$  as given by Lemma 6. We set  $A = A_\omega$ . Since  $A$  is a direct limit of pointed groupoids,  $A$  is also one. Lemma 4, Lemma 7, Lemma 9, Lemma 6, induction, the transitivity of the extension relation, and the remark after Lemma 9 all imply that  $\langle H_\omega; \subseteq \rangle \cong \langle H; \subseteq \rangle \cong C(L)$ , the semilattice of compact elements of  $L$ .

We claim that  $Con A$  is isomorphic to  $L$ ; i.e., we claim (i) holds. It suffices to show that the semilattice of finitely generated congruences is isomorphic to  $C(L)$ ; i.e., it suffices to show that  $H_\omega$  is the set of finitely generated congruences of  $A$ . By the definition of basis and (K) of (#), it suffices to show that in  $A$  we have  $\theta(a, b) = \theta_{H_\omega}(a, b)$  for each  $a, b \in A$ .

If  $a, b \in A_n$ , we let  $\theta_n(a, b)$  denote the smallest congruence relation of  $A_n$  containing  $\langle a, b \rangle$ . By (iv) of Lemma 9 and induction, by Lemma 9 and Lemma 6 and the remark after Lemma 9, and from general principles we have, for each  $a, b \in A$ , that  $\theta_{H_\omega}(a, b) \supseteq \theta(a, b) \supseteq \bigcup \theta_{n+1}(a, b) : a, b \in A_n \supseteq \bigcup (\theta_{H_n}(a, b) : a, b \in A_n) = \theta_{H_\omega}(a, b)$ . But this is what we were required to prove. Also, (ii) of Theorem 2 now follows easily from (iii) of Lemma 9. We defer the proof of (iii) till after the proof of Lemma 4.

*Proof of Lemma 4.* We suppose  $L$  is a pinched lattice. Set  $B = C(L)$ , and let  $0$  be the zero of  $C(L)$ . Set  $0 \cdot 0 = 0$  and  $Dmn(\cdot) = \{ \langle 0, 0 \rangle \}$  and  $B = \langle B, \cdot, 0 \rangle$ . For  $b \in B$  define  $\theta_b$  by  $x \equiv y (\theta_b)$  iff  $x = y$  or  $x \vee y \leq b$ . We set  $H = \{ \theta_b : b \in B \}$ . Let  $I$  be the set given by Proposition 1. Define  $\sigma : B \rightarrow I$  by  $\sigma(b) = \bigwedge \{ i \in I : b \leq i \}$ . Then set  $\rho(b) = \theta_{\sigma(b)}$ . It is not too hard to show that  $\langle B, H, \rho \rangle$  has the required properties. Details are left to the reader.

*Proof of (iii) of Theorem 2.* Let  $c, d \in A$  and  $\theta, \phi \in Con(A)$ . Suppose  $c \equiv d(\theta \vee \phi)$  and  $c \not\equiv d(\theta)$  and  $c \not\equiv d(\phi)$ . Since  $\theta(c, d)$  is compact in  $Con(A)$ , we can find compact  $\theta_0, \phi_0$  such that  $c \equiv d(\theta_0 \vee \phi_0)$  and  $\theta_0 \subseteq \theta$  and  $\phi_0 \subseteq \phi$ . For the  $B$  and  $H$  of the proof of Lemma 4 we have  $B \subseteq A$  and  $\theta_0|_B \in H$  and  $\phi_0|_B \in H$ . So there exist  $a, b \in B$  with  $\theta_0|_B = \theta_H(a, 0)$  and  $\phi_0|_B = \theta_H(b, 0)$  and  $\theta_H(a, b) = \theta_0|_B \vee \phi_0|_B$ . Hence  $\theta_0 = \theta(a, 0)$  and  $\phi_0 = \theta(b, 0)$  and  $\theta_0 \vee \phi_0 = \theta(a, b)$ . Thus we have  $c \equiv d(\theta(a, b))$ . By (ii) there exist  $p, q, r$  such that  $c = ap \equiv 0p(\theta_0)$  and  $0p \equiv bp = bq \equiv 0q(\phi_0)$  and  $0q \equiv aq = ar \equiv 0r(\theta_0)$  and  $0r \equiv br = d(\phi_0)$ . That is,  $\langle c, d \rangle \in \theta \circ \phi \circ \theta \circ \phi$ .

*Proof of Lemma 5.* By Lemma 2.5  $\Delta_A[\cdot] = \Delta_{A[\cdot]}$ . So (A) and (B) of (#) hold for  $A[\cdot]$  and  $H[\cdot]$ .

It follows from Lemma 2.5 that  $\Theta[\cdot] \upharpoonright_A = \theta$  for any  $\theta \in \text{Con}(A)$  and that  $H[\cdot] \subseteq \text{Con}(A[\cdot])$ . It follows that  $\langle H[\cdot]; \subseteq \rangle$  is isomorphic to the semilattice  $\langle H; \subseteq \rangle$ .

Lemma 2.5, (#) and Lemma 3 imply that  $\Theta_{H[\cdot]}(e, f)$  exists for each  $e, f \in A[\cdot]$  and that the following hold for  $\Theta_{H[\cdot]}(e, f)$ :

- (i) if  $e, f \in A$ , then  $\Theta_{H[\cdot]}(e, f) = (\Theta_H(e, f))[\cdot]$ ;
- (ii) if  $e \in A$  and  $f = vy \notin A$  and  $r \text{CLS } v$  (in  $D, \text{mod } H$ ) and  $t \text{CLS } y$  (in  $D, \text{mod } H$ ), then  $\Theta_{H[\cdot]}(e, f) = (\Theta_H(e, rt) \vee \Theta_H(r, v) \vee \Theta_H(t, y))[\cdot]$ ;
- (iii) if  $e = ux \notin A$  and  $f = vy \notin A$ , then  $\Theta_{H[\cdot]}(e, f)$  is the smaller of  $\Phi(ux, vy)[\cdot]$  and  $\Psi(ux, vy)[\cdot]$ . (These notations are from before Lemma 3.)

Lemma 2.2 applied to  $H$ , that  $H[\cdot] = \{\theta[\cdot] : \theta \in H\}$ , and the above imply that  $H[\cdot]$  satisfies (i)-(iii) of Lemma 2.2. We conclude that  $H[\cdot]$  is a basis. So (C) of (#) holds.

That (D) of (#) holds for  $\rho[\cdot]$  and  $H[\cdot]$  follows easily from the isomorphism between  $\langle H; \subseteq \rangle$  and  $\langle H[\cdot]; \subseteq \rangle$  and from the definition of  $\rho[\cdot]$  and that it holds for  $\rho$  and  $H$ . Similarly for (E) and (F) of (#).

$A \times A = \text{Dmn}(\cdot, A[\cdot])$ . So (G) of (#) holds.

If  $a \in A$ , then certainly  $a \text{CLS } a$  (in  $A, \text{mod } H[\cdot]$ ). If  $a = vy \notin A$ , then  $rt \text{CLS } a$  (in  $A, \text{mod } H[\cdot]$ ) for any  $r, t$  satisfying  $r \text{CLS } v$  (in  $D, \text{mod } H$ ) and  $t \text{CLS } y$  (in  $D, \text{mod } H$ ). So (H) of (#) holds.

Consider (I). Let  $e, f \in A[\cdot]$ . If  $e, f \in A$ , then  $\Theta_{H[\cdot]}(e, f) \supseteq \Theta_{H[\cdot]}(e, f)$  will suffice. If  $e \in A$  and  $f \notin A$ , we established above there is a  $g$  with  $g \text{CLS } f$  (in  $A, \text{mod } H[\cdot]$ ). It follows that  $\Theta_{H[\cdot]}(e, f) \supseteq \Theta_{H[\cdot]}(e, g)$ . Hence  $\Theta_{H[\cdot]}(e, f) \supseteq \Theta_{H[\cdot]}(e, g)$ . Let  $e = ux \notin A$  and  $f = vy \notin A$ . Using (I) of (#) for  $A$  and  $H$ , choose  $q, r, s, t$  satisfying  $q \text{CLS } u$  (in  $D, \text{mod } H$ ), etc., and  $\Theta_H(u, v) \supseteq \Theta_H(q, r)$  and  $\Theta_H(x, y) \supseteq \Theta_H(s, t)$ . So  $\Phi(ux, vy) \supseteq \Theta_H(q, r) \vee \Theta_H(s, t) \supseteq \Theta_H(qs, rt)$ . Thus we have  $\Theta_{H[\cdot]}(e, f) \supseteq \Theta_H(qs, rt)$ . In the preceding paragraph we established that  $qs \text{CLS } e$  (in  $A, \text{mod } H[\cdot]$ ) and  $rt \text{CLS } f$  (in  $A, \text{mod } H[\cdot]$ ). So (I) of (#) holds.

Given Lemma 3 and descriptions of the  $\Theta_{H[\cdot]}(e, f)$  and that (J) holds for  $A$  and  $H$ , it is easy to show that (J) holds for  $A[\cdot]$  and  $H[\cdot]$ . There are three cases: (i)  $ux, vy \in A$ ; (ii)  $ux \in A$  and  $vy \notin A$ ; (iii)  $ux \notin A$  and  $vy \notin A$ . (i) and (iii) are left to the reader. Suppose  $ux \in A$  and  $vy \notin A$ . Choose  $r, t$  satisfying  $r \text{CLS } v$  (in  $D, \text{mod } H$ ) and  $t \text{CLS } y$  (in  $D, \text{mod } H$ ). Then  $\Theta_{H[\cdot]}(ux, vy) = (\Theta_H(ux, rt) \vee \Phi(rt, vy))[\cdot]$ . The case  $\Theta_H(ux, rt) = \Phi(ux, rt)$  is easy. Suppose  $\Theta_H(ux, rt) \neq \Phi(ux, rt)$ . If  $\Phi(rt, vy) \supseteq \rho(u, x, r, t)$ , then  $\Theta_{H[\cdot]}(ux, vy) \supseteq \Phi(rt, vy)[\cdot] \supseteq \Phi(ux, vy)[\cdot] \supseteq \Theta_{H[\cdot]}(ux, vy)$ . So we may suppose by (E) of (#) that  $\Phi(rt, vy) \subseteq \rho(u, x, r, t)$ . Now (J) for  $A$  and  $H$  implies  $\Theta_H(x, y) = \Theta_H(x, t) = \rho(u, x, r, t) = \rho(u, x, v, y)$ .

Since  $H$  is a basis, each member of  $H$  is the closure of some finite subset of  $A \times A$ . So (K) of (#) for  $A[\cdot]$  and  $H[\cdot]$  follows

easily from (K) of (#) for  $A$  and  $H$  and from  $\theta \rightarrow \theta[\cdot]$  being an order isomorphism.

The details for showing that  $\langle A[\cdot], H[\cdot], \rho[\cdot] \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A, H, \rho \rangle$  either are easy or appear above.

*Proof of Lemma 6.* Suppose  $x, y \in A_\alpha$ . Then there is a  $\beta < \alpha$  with  $x, y \in A_\beta$ . (ii) of the definition of extension implies  $x \cdot y$  is defined in  $A_{\beta+1}$ . So  $A_\alpha$  is a pointed groupoid. Let  $\gamma$  be the least ordinal with  $x, y \in A_\gamma$ . We note that  $\Theta_{H_\alpha}(x, y) = ((\Theta_{H_\gamma}(x, y))|_{A_0})_\alpha = \bigcup (\Theta_{H_\beta}(x, y) : \gamma \leq \beta < \alpha)$ . Obviously  $\Delta_{A_\alpha} = (\Delta_{A_0})_\alpha$  and  $H_\alpha \subseteq \text{Con } A_\alpha$ .  $\langle H_\alpha; \subseteq \rangle$  is isomorphic to the semilattice  $\langle H_0; \subseteq \rangle$ . Lemma 2.2 applied to  $H_0$ , the definition of extension, that  $H_\alpha = \{\Theta_\alpha : \Theta \in H_0\}$ , and the above show that (i)-(iii) of Lemma 2.2 hold for  $H_\alpha$ . We conclude that  $H_\alpha$  is a basis. Since  $\rho_\alpha : A_\alpha \rightarrow H_\alpha$ , we have that (A), (B), and (C) of (#) hold.

Let  $\sigma : A_0 \rightarrow H_\alpha$  be defined by  $\sigma(a) = (\rho_0(a))_\alpha$ . Clearly  $\text{Rng}(\sigma) = \text{Rng}(\rho_\alpha)$  because of (v) and (vi) of the definition of "extension." Now (D), (E) and (F) of (#) follow easily.

$A_\alpha \times A_\alpha = \text{Dmn}(\cdot, A_\alpha)$ , and (G) of (#) holds. Since  $x \text{ CLS } x$  (in  $A_\alpha, \text{Mod } H_\alpha$ ) holds for every  $x \in A_\alpha$ , (H) and (I) of (#) hold.

Suppose  $\gamma, \delta, \varepsilon$  are the least ordinals satisfying  $ux, vy \in A_\gamma$  and  $u, v \in A_\delta$  and  $x, y \in A_\varepsilon$ . Note that  $\delta, \varepsilon \leq \gamma$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta_{H_\alpha}(ux, vy) &= ((\Theta_{H_\gamma}(ux, vy))|_{A_0})_\alpha = ((\Theta_{H_\gamma}(u, v) \vee \Theta_{H_\gamma}(x, y))|_{A_0})_\alpha \\ &= ((\Theta_{H_\gamma}(u, v))|_{A_0} \vee \Theta_{H_\gamma}(x, y)|_{A_0})_\alpha \\ &= ((\Theta_{H_\delta}(u, v))|_{A_0} \wedge (\Theta_{H_\varepsilon}(x, y))|_{A_0})_\alpha \\ &= ((\Theta_{H_\delta}(u, v))|_{A_0})_\alpha \vee ((\Theta_{H_\varepsilon}(x, y))|_{A_0})_\alpha \\ &= \Theta_{H_\alpha}(u, v) \vee \Theta_{H_\alpha}(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

or  $\Theta_{H_\alpha}(x, y) = ((\Theta_{H_\varepsilon}(x, y))|_{A_0})_\alpha = ((\Theta_{H_\gamma}(x, y))|_{A_0})_\alpha = ((\rho_\gamma(u, v, x, y))|_{A_0})_\alpha = \rho_\alpha(u, v, x, y)$ . So (J) of (#) holds.

The proof that (K) of (#) holds is similar to the proof of the corresponding part of Lemma 5.

Note that if  $\Phi \in H_\beta$ , then  $\Phi = [\Phi|_{A_0}]_{H_\beta}$  because  $\langle A_\beta, H_\beta, \rho_\beta \rangle$  is an extension  $\langle A_0, H_0, \rho_0 \rangle$ .

It is now easy to check that  $\langle A_\alpha, H_\alpha, \rho_\alpha \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A_\beta, H_\beta, \rho_\beta \rangle$  for each  $\beta \leq \alpha$ .

*Proof of Lemma 7.* This is a corollary of Lemmas 5 and 6.

*Proof of Lemma 8.* We assume (i), the proof of which is quite straightforward.

Set  $X = \{x \in A : \rho(x) \leq \rho(a, b, c, d)\}$  and  $Y = A - X$ . Observe that

*Claim 1.* If  $x, x_0, x_1 \in X$  and  $y \in Y$ , then:

- (i)  $\theta_H(x_0, x_1) \subseteq \rho(a, b, c, d)$ ;
- (ii)  $\theta_H(x, y) \supseteq \rho(a, b, c, d)$ ;
- (iii)  $\rho(a, b, c, d)|_X = X \times X$ .

It then follows easily from Lemma 2.5 and the definition of the map  $\theta \rightarrow \theta'$  that

*Claim 2.* If, in  $A'[\cdot]$ ,  $x$  belongs to one of the sets  $A', \{p, q, r\} \cdot \{p, q, r\}, Xp, pX, Xq, qX, rX, Xr, Yp, pY, Yq, qY, Yr, rY$  and  $y$  belongs to a different one, then  $\theta_{H'[\cdot]}(x, y) \supseteq \rho'[\cdot](a, b, c, d)$ .

Set  $T$  (for trash) =  $A'[\cdot] - (A' \cup Xp \cup Xq \cup Xr)$ . We clearly have

*Claim 3.* If  $x$  and  $y$  are in different blocks of the partition  $\{A', T, Xp, Xq, Xr\}$ , then  $\theta_{H'[\cdot]}(x, y) \supseteq \rho'[\cdot](a, b, c, d)$ .

$A'[\cdot]$  is pictured in Figure 2 and  $A_\lambda$  is pictured in Figure 3.

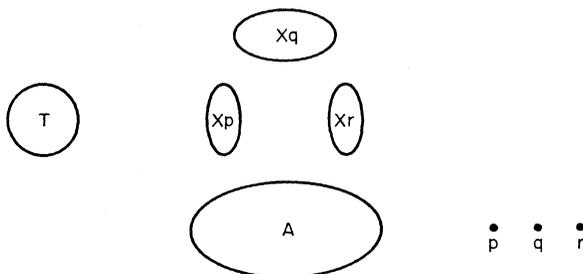


FIGURE 2

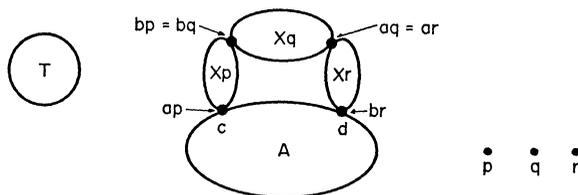


FIGURE 3

Recall the relation  $\Phi$  used in the definition of  $A_\lambda$ . Observe that  $\Phi \subseteq (\rho(a, b, c, d))'[\cdot]$ .

In what follows we let  $+$  denote equivalence relation join. ( $+$  need not coincide with join in  $\text{Con}(A'[\cdot])$ .) Thus we have

*Claim 4.* If  $\theta \in H$  and  $\theta \supseteq \rho(a, b, c, d)$ , then  $(\theta'[\cdot] + \Phi) = \theta'[\cdot]$ .

In order to establish that  $H_\lambda$  is a basis and that each  $\theta_\lambda|_A = \theta$ , we need a fairly detailed description of  $\theta_\lambda$ . We will show for each  $\theta \in H$  that  $(\theta'[\cdot] + \Phi) \in \text{Con}(A'[\cdot])$ . From this it follows on general

principles that  $\theta_\lambda = (\theta'[\cdot] + \Phi)/\Phi$ . So we will profit from an examination of  $\theta'[\cdot] + \Phi$ .

*Claim 5.* The following hold for  $x, y \in A'[\cdot]$  and  $\theta \in H$ :

(i) if  $x$  and  $y$  both belong to one of the sets  $A' \cup T, Xp \cup T, Xq \cup T, Xr \cup T$ , then  $x \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot] + \Phi)$  iff  $x \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot])$ .

(ii) if  $x \in A'$  and  $y \in Xp$ , then  $x \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot] + \Phi)$  iff  $x \equiv c (\theta'[\cdot])$  and  $ap \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot])$ ;

(iii) if  $x \in A'$  and  $y \in Xr$ , then  $x \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot] + \Phi)$  iff  $x \equiv d (\theta'[\cdot])$  and  $br \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot])$ ;

(iv) if  $x \in A'$  and  $y \in Xq$ , then  $x \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot] + \Phi)$  iff  $x \equiv c (\theta'[\cdot])$  and  $a = b (\theta'[\cdot])$  and  $bq \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot])$ ;

(v) if  $x \in Xp$  and  $y \in Xq$ , then  $x \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot] + \Phi)$  iff  $x \equiv bp (\theta'[\cdot])$  and  $bq \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot])$ ;

(vi) if  $x \in Xq$  and  $y \in Xr$ , then  $x \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot] + \Phi)$  iff  $x \equiv aq (\theta'[\cdot])$  and  $ar \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot])$ ;

(vii) if  $x \in Xp$  and  $y \in Xr$ , then  $x \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot] + \Phi)$  iff  $x \equiv ap (\theta'[\cdot])$  and  $c \equiv d (\theta'[\cdot])$  and  $br \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot])$ .

The proof of the claim is quite routine, and so we leave most of the proof to the reader. But we prove part (i) as an example.

It is obvious that if  $x \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot])$ , then  $x \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot] + \Phi)$ . So we suppose  $x \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot] + \Phi)$  and  $x$  and  $y$  both belong to one of the sets  $A' \cup T, Xp \cup T, Xq \cup T, Xr \cup T$ . If  $\theta \supseteq \rho(a, b, c, d)$ , then by Claim 4  $x \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot])$ . So we suppose  $\theta \not\supseteq \rho(a, b, c, d)$ .

Let  $x_0 \in T, x_1 \in A', x_2 \in Xp, x_3 \in Xq, x_4 \in Xr$ . By Claim 3 we have

$$(*) \quad x_i \not\equiv x_j (\theta[\cdot]) \quad \text{if} \quad i \neq j.$$

Since  $x \equiv y (\theta'[\cdot] + \Phi)$ , there is a sequence  $x = s_0, \dots, s_n = y$  with  $s_i \equiv s_{i+1} (\theta'[\cdot])$  or  $s_i \equiv s_{i+1} (\Phi)$ , for  $i = 0, \dots, n-1$ . Suppose  $s_0, \dots, s_n$  is a sequence of shortest length having these properties. Then  $s_i \neq s_j$  if  $i \neq j$ . If  $i \leq n-2$ , then  $s_i \equiv s_{i+1} (\theta'[\cdot])$  if and only if  $s_i \not\equiv s_{i+1} (\Phi)$  iff  $s_{i+1} \equiv s_{i+2} (\Phi)$ .

Let us suppose  $n \geq 2$ .

Let us also suppose  $x, y \in A' \cup T$ .

Now  $x = s_0 \equiv s_1 (\Phi)$  or  $s_1 \equiv s_2 (\Phi)$ . So we take  $k$  to be the least integer such that  $s_k \equiv s_{k+1} (\Phi)$ . Note that  $x \equiv s_k (\theta'[\cdot])$  and  $s_k \neq s_{k+1}$ . From the fact that  $\theta \not\supseteq \rho(a, b, c, d)$  and (\*) and the definition of  $\Phi$ , we may conclude that  $x \in A'$  and  $s_k \in \{c, d\}$ . Suppose  $s_k = c$ . The definition of  $\Phi$  implies  $s_{k+1} = ap$ . Since  $y \notin Xp, y \neq s_{k+1}$  and  $k+1 \neq n$ . So there is an  $s_{k+2}$  and  $s_{k+1} \equiv s_{k+2} (\theta'[\cdot])$ . Since  $\theta \not\supseteq \rho(a, b, c, d)$ , Claim 3 yields that  $s_{k+2} \in Xp$  and  $s_{k+2} \neq y$  and  $k+2 \neq n$ . So there is an  $s_{k+3}$  with  $s_{k+2} \equiv s_{k+3} (\Phi)$  and  $s_{k+1} \neq s_{k+3} \neq s_{k+2}$ . Now since  $s_{k+2} \in Xp$  and  $s_{k+2} \neq s_{k+1} = ap$ , the definition of  $\Phi$  yields  $s_{k+2} \in (\{ap, bp\}) - \{ap\} =$

$\{bp\}$ ; i.e.,  $s_{k+2} = bp$ . Continuing in this fashion we find that  $s_{k+3} = bq$  and  $s_{k+4} = aq$  and  $s_{k+5} = ar$  and  $s_{k+6} = br$  and  $s_{k+7} = d$  (and  $k + 7 \leq n$ ). Keep in mind that  $ap = s_{k+1} \equiv s_{k+2} = bp$  ( $\theta'[\cdot]$ ). Now (iii) of Lemma 2.5 implies  $a \equiv b$  ( $\theta'$ ) or else there exist  $e, f, u, v \in A$  (note  $A^2 = \text{Dom}(\cdot, A')$ ) with  $a \equiv e$  ( $\theta'$ ) and  $b \equiv f$  ( $\theta'$ ) and  $e \cdot u \equiv f \cdot v$  ( $\theta'$ ) and  $u \equiv p \equiv v$  ( $\theta'$ ). The latter fact implies that if  $a \not\equiv b$  ( $\theta'$ ), then  $\rho(a, b, c, d) \subseteq \theta$ . Hence  $a \equiv b$  ( $\theta'$ ). By construction  $a \equiv b$  ( $\theta$ ).  $\theta \in H$  and the hypotheses imply  $c \equiv d$  ( $\theta$ ). So  $c \equiv d$  ( $\theta'[\cdot]$ ). Thus  $x = s_0 \equiv c \equiv d = s_{k+7}$  ( $\theta'[\cdot]$ ). As a result we see that  $x = s_0, d = s_{k+7}, s_{k+8}, \dots, s_n = y$  is a sequence in which consecutive members are equivalent under  $\theta'[\cdot]$  or  $\Phi$ . Yet it is shorter than the shortest such sequence connecting  $x$  and  $y$ . The case with  $s_k = d$  is similar.

Let  $x, y \in Xp \cup T$ . Suppose  $x \in T$ . As above we find that  $x \equiv s_k$  ( $\theta'[\cdot]$ ), where  $s_k \in \{c, ap, bp, bq, aq, ar, br, d\}$ . But Claim 3 implies  $x \not\equiv s_k$  ( $\theta'[\cdot]$ ). So  $x \notin T$ . Similarly  $y \notin T$ . So  $x, y \in Xp$ . Now one can proceed as in the above case and derive a contradiction.

Similar contradictions can be derived for the cases  $(x, y \in Xq \cup T)$  and  $(x, y \in Xr \cup T)$ .

So  $n \not\leq 2$ .

If  $n = 0$  or  $n = 1$  and  $s_0 \equiv s_1$  ( $\Phi$ ), we find that  $x = s_0 = s_1 = y$  ( $x \equiv y$  ( $\Phi$ ) implies  $x = y$  because  $x, y \in A' \cup T$  or  $x, y \in Xp \cup T$ , etc.). In this case  $x \equiv y$  ( $\theta'[\cdot]$ ). The only remaining possibility is  $n = 0$  or  $1$  and  $x_0 = s_0 \equiv s_1 = y$  ( $\theta'[\cdot]$ ).

This concludes our proof of (i). As stated above, the remainder of the claim is left to the reader. While doing the remainder, keep in mind that if  $x \in X$  and  $\theta \in H$  and  $\rho(a, b, c, d) \subseteq \theta$ , then under  $\theta'[\cdot]$  we have the following congruences

$$\begin{aligned} x \equiv 0 \equiv a \equiv b \equiv c \equiv d \equiv 0 \equiv p \equiv q \equiv r \equiv 0 \\ = 0 \cdot 0 \equiv x \cdot p \equiv x \cdot q \equiv x \cdot r . \end{aligned}$$

By Claim 5.(i) we have  $(\theta'[\cdot] + \Phi)|_{A'} = \theta'$  for any  $\theta \in H$ . Then it clearly follows that  $\theta[\cdot] + \Phi \in \text{Con}(A'[\cdot])$ . From general principles we have that  $\theta_\lambda = (\theta'[\cdot] + \Phi)/\Phi$  for each  $\theta \in H$ . That  $H_\lambda$  is a basis is now easily proved using Lemma 2.2 and Lemma 2.4. Since  $\Phi|_A = \Delta_A$ , Claim 5.(i) implies  $[\theta]_{H_\lambda} \cap (A \times A) = (\theta'[\cdot]) \cap (A \times A) = \theta$  for each  $\theta \in H$ .

It is now clear that (A)-(G) of (#) hold and that (i)-(vi) of the definition of *extension* hold.

In order to complete the proof, we need descriptions for  $\theta_{H_\lambda}(x, y)$  for  $x$  and  $y$  in various subsets of  $A_\lambda$ . Essentially, Claim 5 provides us with these descriptions.

From (i) of this lemma and Lemma 5 we know that for any  $x \in A'[\cdot]$  there is a  $z$  with  $z \text{ CLS } x$  (in  $A', \text{ mod } H'[\cdot]$ ). From Claim

5.(i) it follows, for  $x \in A' \cup T$ , that  $z$  CLS  $x$  (in  $A'$ , mod  $H'[\cdot]$ ) iff  $z$  CLS  $x$  (in  $A'$ , mod  $H_\lambda$ ). So for each  $x \in A' \cup T$  we have the required  $z$ . Claim 5 ensures the following: if  $x \in (Xp \cup Xq)$ , then  $c$  CLS  $x$  (in  $A'$ , mod  $H_\lambda$ ); if  $x \in (Xq \cup Xr)$ , then  $d$  CLS  $x$  (in  $A'$ , mod  $H_\lambda$ ). (We remind the reader that closest elements need not be unique.) So (H) of (#) holds.

Consider (I) of (#).

Suppose  $x, y \in A' \cup T$ . By (i) of this lemma and Lemma 5 and the preceding paragraph there exist  $u, v$  such that  $\Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, y) = (\Theta_{H'[\cdot]}(x, y) + \Phi)/\Phi \cong (\Theta_{H'[\cdot]}(u, v) + \Phi)/\Phi = \Theta_{H_\lambda}(u, v)$  and  $u$  CLS  $x$  (in  $A'$ , mod  $H_\lambda$ ) and  $v$  CLS  $y$  (in  $A'$ , mod  $H_\lambda$ ).

Suppose  $x \in T$  and  $y \in Xp \cup Xq \cup Xr$ . Then

$$\Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, y) = (\Theta_{H'[\cdot]}(x, y) + \Phi)/\Phi .$$

By Claim 3 we have  $\Theta_{H'[\cdot]}(x, y) \cong \rho'[\cdot](a, b, c, d)$ . By Claims 1.(iii) and 4 we have  $c \equiv y \equiv d$  ( $\Theta_{H'[\cdot]}(x, y)$ ). Let  $v = c$  or  $d$  as appropriate and choose any  $u$  satisfying  $u$  CLS  $x$  (in  $A'$ , mod  $H_\lambda$ ). So  $x \equiv v$  ( $\Theta_{H'[\cdot]}(x, y)$ ). We clearly have  $\Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, y) \cong \Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, v) \cong \Theta_{H_\lambda}(u, v)$  since  $v \in A'$ .

Suppose  $x \in A'$  and  $y \in Xp \cup Xq \cup Xr$ . Above we established that there is a  $z$  satisfying  $z$  CLS  $y$  (in  $A'$ , mod  $H_\lambda$ ). We have then  $\Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, y) \cong \Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, z)$ . Note that  $x$  is closest to itself.

If  $x, y \in (Xp \cup Xq)$ , then  $\Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, y) \cong A = \Theta_{H_\lambda}(c, c)$  will suffice. Similarly for  $x, y \in (Xq \cup Xr)$ .

If  $x \in Xp$  and  $y \in Xr$  or vice versa, then Claim 5 implies  $\Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, y) \cong \Theta_{H_\lambda}(c, d)$ . But  $c$  is closest to  $x$  and  $d$  is closest to  $y$  (or vice versa).

If  $x \in A'$ , then  $x$  is closest to itself. So if  $x, y \in A'$ ,  $\Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, y) \cong \Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, y)$  will suffice.

So (I) of (#) holds.

Consider (J) of (#) and let  $\{u, v, x, y\} \subseteq A'$ . There are the following nondisjoint cases:

- (i)  $\{ux, vy\} \subseteq A' \cup T$  and  $\{\langle u, x \rangle, \langle v, y \rangle\} \cap \{\langle a, p \rangle, \langle b, r \rangle\} = \emptyset$ ;
- (ii)  $x = y$ ;
- (iii)  $x \neq y$  and  $x \in \{p, q, r\}$  and  $u, v, y \in (X \cup \{p, q, r\})$ ;
- (iv)  $x \neq y$  and  $y \in \{p, q, r\}$  and  $u, v, x \in (X \cup \{p, q, r\})$ ;
- (v)  $x \neq y$  and  $x \in \{p, q, r\}$  and  $u \in X$  and  $\{v, y\} \not\subseteq X \cup \{p, q, r\}$ ;
- (vi)  $x \neq y$  and  $y \in \{p, q, r\}$  and  $v \in X$  and  $\{u, x\} \not\subseteq X \cup \{p, q, r\}$ .

(i)-(iv) are easy to check, and (vi) follows from (v) since, in general,  $\Theta_{H_\lambda}(w, z) = \Theta_{H_\lambda}(z, w)$ . So we shall prove (J) under the additional hypotheses in case (v).

Observe that  $x \equiv 0 \equiv y$  ( $\Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, y)$ ). We may assume  $\Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, y) \not\subseteq \rho_\lambda(u, v, x, y)$ . Note that  $\rho_\lambda(u) \subseteq \rho_\lambda(x) = \Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, 0) \subseteq \Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, y)$ . Since one of  $v$  and  $y$  is in  $Y$ , (E) of (#) now implies  $\rho_\lambda(u, v, x, y) = \rho_\lambda(v, y)$ . Since

$\Theta_{H_\lambda}(y, 0) \subseteq \Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, y)$ , we have  $\Theta_{H_\lambda}(y, 0) \subset \rho(v, y) = \rho(u, v, 0, y)$ . Therefore, by cases (i)–(iv) we have  $\Theta_{H_\lambda}(u0, vy) = \Theta_{H_\lambda}(u, v) \vee \Theta_{H_\lambda}(0, y)$ .

If  $y \in X \cup \{p, q, r\}$ , then  $v \in Y$ , by the hypotheses of case (v). But then since  $u \in X$ , we have  $\rho_\lambda(u) \subseteq \rho_\lambda(x) \subseteq \Theta_{H_\lambda}(u, v)$  by Claim 1.(ii). If  $y \in Y$ , then  $\rho_\lambda(u) \subseteq \rho_\lambda(x) \subseteq \Theta_{H_\lambda}(y, 0)$ . In any case, we have that  $\rho_\lambda(u) \subseteq \rho_\lambda(x) \subseteq \Theta_{H_\lambda}(u, v) \vee \Theta_{H_\lambda}(0, y) = \Theta_{H_\lambda}(u0, vy)$ .

Suppose  $\Theta_{H_\lambda}(ux, vy) \subseteq \rho_\lambda(x)$ . We know that  $ux \equiv u0$  ( $\rho_\lambda(x)$ ). Then we may conclude that  $\Theta_{H_\lambda}(u, v) \vee \Theta_{H_\lambda}(0, y) = \Theta_{H_\lambda}(u0, vy) = \rho_\lambda(x) = \rho_\lambda(u, x)$ . Thus we obtain  $v \equiv u \equiv 0 \equiv y \equiv x$  ( $\rho_\lambda(x)$ ). By (F) of (#) we obtain  $\rho_\lambda(u, v, x, y) = \rho_\lambda(x) = \Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, y)$ . This contradicts an early assumption. So we may conclude by (E) of (#) that  $\rho_\lambda(x) \subseteq \Theta_{H_\lambda}(ux, vy)$ . Therefore  $u0 \equiv ux \equiv vy$  ( $\Theta_{H_\lambda}(ux, vy)$ ).

Now we have  $\Theta_{H_\lambda}(ux, vy) = \Theta_{H_\lambda}(u0, vy) \vee \rho_\lambda(x) = \Theta_{H_\lambda}(u, v) \vee \Theta_{H_\lambda}(0, y) \vee \rho_\lambda(x) \supseteq \Theta_{H_\lambda}(u, v) \vee \Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, y) \supseteq \Theta_{H_\lambda}(ux, vy)$ .

This concludes the proof.

4. Ideals of a distributive lattice. This section amounts to a repeat of §3 with seemingly minor, but crucial, variations.

In this section we shall prove that the ideal lattice of every distributive lattice can be represented as the congruence lattice of a groupoid. The induction hypothesis for the proofs will include the following list of conditions. We continue the convention of  $\vee$  meaning the join in  $\langle H; \subseteq \rangle$ .

- (#) (A)  $A$  is a partial pointed groupoid.
- (B)  $H \subseteq \text{Con } A$  and  $\langle H; \subseteq \rangle$  is a distributive lattice with zero.
- (C)  $H$  is a basis.
- (D) For some nonempty  $D$ ,  $\text{Dmn}(\cdot, A) = D \times D$ .
- (E) For every  $a, b \in D$ , it is true that  $a \cdot 0 \equiv b \cdot 0$  ( $\bigcap H$ ).
- (F) For every  $a \in A$  there is a  $c \in D$  satisfying  $c \text{ CLS } a$  (in  $D, \text{ mod } H$ ).
- (G)  $A^2 = I \cup O$  and
  - (i) if  $\langle a, b \rangle \in O$ , then  $a \equiv 0$  ( $\Theta_H(a, b)$ ), and
  - (ii) if  $\langle y, v \rangle \in I$ , then  $\langle v, y \rangle \in I$ , and
  - (iii) if  $\langle y, v \rangle \in I$ , then there is a  $\langle d, f \rangle \in I \cap (D \times D)$  satisfying  $d \text{ CLS } y$  (in  $D, \text{ mod } H$ ) and  $f \text{ CLS } v$  (in  $D, \text{ mod } H$ ), and
  - (iv) if  $c, d, e, f \in D$  and  $\langle d, f \rangle \in I$ , then
    - (a)  $\langle cd, ef \rangle \in I$ , and
    - (b)  $\Theta_H(cd, ef) = [\Theta_H(c, e) \wedge \Theta_H(d, 0)] \vee \Theta_H(d, f)$ ,

and

- (v)  $\langle x, x \rangle \in I$  for every  $x \in A$ .
- (H) For each  $\theta \in H$  there are  $a, b \in A$  so that  $\Theta_H(a, b) = \theta$ .
- (I) For every  $\theta \in \text{Con } A$ ,  $\theta$  contains the  $H$  closure of each of its finite subsets iff  $\theta$  contains the  $H$  closure of each of its elements.

Let  $x, y, u, v \in A$ . Set  $\Phi(xy, uv) = [\Theta_H(x, u) \wedge \Theta_H(y, 0)] \vee \Theta_H(y, v)$ . Note that  $\Phi(xy, uv)$  is defined even in those cases where  $xy$  or  $uv$  is not defined. Let  $c$  (resp.,  $d, e, f$ ) be a closest element in  $D$  to  $x$  (resp.,  $y, u, v$ ). Set  $\Psi(xy, uv) = (\Theta_H(x, c) \wedge \Theta_H(d, 0)) \vee \Theta_H(y, d) \vee \Theta_H(cd, ef) \vee (\Theta_H(e, u) \wedge \Theta_H(f, 0)) \vee \Theta_H(f, v) = \Phi(xy, cd) \vee \Theta_H(cd, ef) \vee \Phi(ef, uv)$ .

LEMMA 0. (A) If (A)-(F) of (#) hold for  $A$  and  $H$ , then:

- (i)  $[\Theta \wedge \Theta_H(b, 0)] \vee \Theta_H(a, b) = [\Theta \wedge \Theta_H(a, 0)] \vee \Theta_H(a, b)$  for any  $\Theta \in H$  and any  $a, b \in A$ ;
  - (ii)  $\Theta_H(ab, cd) \subseteq \Phi(ab, cd) = [\Theta_H(a, c) \wedge \Theta_H(b, 0)] \vee \Theta_H(b, d)$  for any  $a, b, c, d \in D$ ;
  - (iii) For any  $x, y, u, v, s, t \in A$  it is the case that  $\Phi(xy, uv) \vee \Phi(uv, st) \supseteq \Phi(xy, st)$ ;
  - (iv) for any  $x, y, u, v \in A$ , it is the case that  $\Psi(xy, uv)$  is independent of the choice of  $c, d, e, f$ .
- (B) If (A)-(G) of (#) hold for  $A, H, I$  and  $O$ , then:
- (i) if  $\langle y, v \rangle \in I$ , then  $\Phi(xy, uv) \subseteq \Psi(xy, uv)$ ;
  - (ii) if  $\langle y, v \rangle \in O$ , then  $\Psi(xy, uv) \subseteq \Theta_H(y, v) = \Phi(xy, uv)$ .

*Proof.* (A.i) holds because  $\langle H; \subseteq \rangle$  is distributive and  $\Theta_H(a, 0) \vee \Theta_H(a, b) = \Theta_H(b, 0) \vee \Theta_H(a, b)$ . Note that by (E) of (#) we have  $ab \equiv a0 \equiv c0 \equiv cd$  under  $\Theta_H(b, 0) \vee \Theta_H(b, d)$ . (A.ii) now follows from the distributivity of  $\langle H; \subseteq \rangle$ . (A.iii) is a routine calculation using (A.i) and distributivity.

Now consider (A.iv). Let  $c$  and  $c'$  (resp.,  $d$  and  $d', e$  and  $e', f$  and  $f'$ ) be  $H$ -closest elements in  $D$  to  $x$  (resp.,  $y, u, v$ ). Recall that  $\Psi(xy, uv) = \Phi(xy, cd) \vee \Theta_H(cd, ef) \vee \Phi(ef, uv)$ . We wish to show  $\Psi(xy, uv)$  also  $= \Phi(xy, c'd') \vee \Theta_H(c'd', e'f') \vee \Phi(e'f', uv)$ . Note, by definition of  $H$ -closest that  $\Theta_H(x, c') = \Theta_H(x, c)$ , etc. So  $\Phi(xy, cd) = [\Theta_H(x, c) \wedge \Theta_H(y, 0)] \vee \Theta_H(y, d) = [\Theta_H(x, c') \wedge \Theta_H(y, 0)] \vee \Theta_H(y, d') = \Phi(xy, c'd')$ , etc. Now using (A.ii) and (A.iii) we obtain  $\Phi(xy, cd) = \Phi(xy, cd) \vee \Phi(xy, c'd') = \Phi(xy, c'd') \vee \Phi(c'd', cd) \supseteq \Phi(xy, c'd') \vee \Theta_H(c'd', cd) \supseteq \Phi(xy, c'd') = \Phi(xy, cd)$ . That is,  $\Phi(xy, cd) = \Phi(xy, c'd') \vee \Theta_H(c'd', cd)$ , etc. The desired result follows from this.

Let  $x, y, u, v, c, d, e, f$  be as above.

Suppose  $\langle y, v \rangle \in I$ . Then by (G.iii) and (G.iv) of (#) we may suppose  $\Theta_H(cd, ef) = \Phi(cd, ef)$ . Then  $\Psi(xy, uv) = \Phi(xy, cd) \vee \Phi(cd, ef) \vee \Phi(ef, uv) \supseteq \Phi(xy, uv)$  by (A.iii) of this lemma.

Suppose  $\langle y, v \rangle \in O$ . Certainly  $\Phi(xy, uv) \supseteq \Theta_H(y, v)$  and  $y \equiv d \equiv 0 \equiv f \equiv v$  under  $\Theta_H(y, v)$ . So by (E) of (#) we have  $\Theta_H(cd, ef) \subseteq \Theta_H(y, v)$ . Clearly, we also have  $\Phi(xy, cd) = [\Theta_H(x, c) \wedge \Theta_H(y, 0)] \vee \Theta_H(y, d) \subseteq \Theta_H(y, v)$ , etc. Thus  $\Psi(xy, uv) \subseteq \Theta_H(y, v)$ .

DEFINITION. Suppose  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle$  satisfies (#).  $\langle A^*, H^*, I^*, O^* \rangle$  is an *extension* of  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle$  iff:

- (i)  $A^*$  is an extension of  $A$ ;
- (ii)  $A \times A \subseteq \text{Dmn}(\cdot, A^*)$ ;
- (iii)  $I^* \cap A^2 = I$  and  $O^* \cap A^2 = O$ ;
- (iv)  $[\theta]_{H^*} \cap A^2 = \theta$  for any  $\theta \in H$ ;
- (v)  $H^* = \{[\theta]_{H^*} : \theta \in H\}$ ;
- (vi)  $\langle A^*, H^*, I^*, O^* \rangle$  also satisfy (#).

Note (as in §3) that it is implicit in (iv) of this definition that  $[\theta]_{H^*}$  is required to exist, for each  $\theta \in H$ .

LEMMA 1. Suppose  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle$  satisfies (#). If  $\langle A^*, H^*, I^*, O^* \rangle$  satisfies (i)-(v) of the definition of "extension" (with respect to  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle$ ) and (A)-(G) of (#), then  $\langle A^*, H^*, I^*, O^* \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle$ .

In other words, (H) and (I) of (#) are preserved "for free."

*Proof.* Since (H) of (#) holds for  $H$  and since (iv) and (v) of the definition hold,  $H^*$  clearly also satisfies (H) of (#).

Let  $\theta$  be a congruence of  $A^*$  containing the  $H^*$ -closure of each of its elements. By (iv) and (v) of the definition  $\theta|_A \supseteq \theta_H(a, b)$  for every  $\langle a, b \rangle \in \theta|_A$ . Hence  $\theta|_A$  contains the  $H$ -closure of each of its finite subsets.

Let  $X^*$  be a finite subset of  $\theta$ . For each  $p^* \in X^*$  it is the case that  $(\theta_{H^*}(p^*))|_A \in H$ . So there is a  $p \in A$  with  $(\theta_{H^*}(p^*))|_A = \theta_H(p)$ . Whence  $\theta_{H^*}(p^*) = \theta_{H^*}(p)$  by (iv) and (v) of the definition. Choose and fix one such  $p$  for each  $p^*$ . Let  $X$  be the set of such  $p$ 's.  $X$  is a finite subset of  $\theta|_A$  and  $[X]_{H^*} = [X^*]_{H^*}$ . By (H) of (\*) for  $H$  and by the above, we have, for some  $a, b$ ,  $\theta_H(a, b) = [X]_H \subseteq \theta|_A$ . Hence  $\langle a, b \rangle \in \theta$  and  $\theta_{H^*}(a, b) = [X]_{H^*}$ . So  $\theta \supseteq [X]_{H^*}$ , ending the proof.

Next we state the principal lemmas of this section.

LEMMA 2. Suppose:

- (0)  $\langle A_0, H_0, I_0, O_0 \rangle$  satisfies (#);
- (i)  $\alpha$  is a limit ordinal;
- (ii) for any  $\beta < \gamma < \alpha$   $\langle A_\gamma, H_\gamma, I_\gamma, O_\gamma \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A_\beta, H_\beta, I_\beta, O_\beta \rangle$ ;
- (iii)  $A_\alpha = \langle A_\alpha, \cdot, 0 \rangle = \mathbf{U}(A_\beta : \beta < \alpha), \cdot, 0$
- (iv) for each  $\theta \in H_0$  we have  $\theta_\alpha = \mathbf{U}([\theta]_{H_\beta} : \beta < \alpha)$  and  $H_\alpha = \{\theta_\alpha : \theta \in H_0\}$ ;
- (v)  $I_\alpha = \mathbf{U}(I_\beta : \beta < \alpha)$  and  $O_\alpha = \mathbf{U}(O_\beta : \beta < \alpha)$ . Then  $A_\alpha$  is a

pointed groupoid and  $\langle A_\alpha, H_\alpha, I_\alpha, O_\alpha \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A_\beta, H_\beta, I_\alpha, O_\alpha \rangle$  for all  $\beta < \alpha$ .

This lemma says chain unions are okay. The next lemma gives us a starting point.

LEMMA 3. *If  $L$  is a distributive lattice with zero, then there is a  $\langle B, H, I, O \rangle$  satisfying (#) with  $L \cong \langle H; \subseteq \rangle$ .*

Suppose  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle$  satisfies (#). For  $a, b \in A[\cdot]$  and  $\theta \in H$ , let  $a \equiv b \ (\theta\{\cdot\})$  iff one of the following holds:

- (i)  $a, b \in A$  and  $a \equiv b \ (\theta)$ ;
- (ii)  $a \in A$  and  $b = uv \notin A$  and  $\theta_H(a, ef) \vee \Phi(ef, uv) \subseteq \theta$ , where  $e$  CLS  $u$  (in  $D, \text{mod } H$ ) and  $f$  CLS  $v$  (in  $D, \text{mod } H$ );
- (iii)  $a \notin A$  and  $b \in A$  and the condition symmetric to (ii) holds;
- (iv)  $a = xy \notin A$  and  $b = uv \notin A$  and  $\Psi(xy, uv) \cap \Phi(xy, uv) \subseteq \theta$ .

Note, as in Lemma (0.iv), the relation described in (ii) is independent of one's choice of  $e, f$ . Set  $H\{\cdot\} = \{\theta\{\cdot\} : \theta \in H\}$ . For  $a = xy \in A[\cdot] - A$ , set  $C(a) = \{cd : c \text{ CLS } x \text{ (in } D, \text{mod } H) \text{ and } d \text{ CLS } y \text{ (in } D, \text{mod } H)\}$ . Set  $I[\cdot] = I \cup \bigcup \{\langle a, b \rangle, \langle b, a \rangle : a \in A, b \notin A, \text{ and for some } c \in C(b) \text{ we have } \langle a, c \rangle \in I\} \cup \{\langle a, b \rangle : a \notin A, b \in A, \text{ and for some } c \in C(a) \text{ and } d \in C(b) \text{ we have } \langle c, d \rangle \in I\}$ . We set  $O[\cdot] = O \cup ((A[\cdot])^2 - (A^2 \cup I[\cdot]))$ .

LEMMA 4. *If  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle$  satisfies (#), then  $H\{\cdot\}$  is a basis and  $\langle A[\cdot], H\{\cdot\}, I[\cdot], O[\cdot] \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle$ .*

Suppose  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle$  satisfies (#). Set  $\langle A_0, H_0, I_0, O_0 \rangle = \langle A, H, I, O \rangle$  and set  $\langle A_{n+1}, H_{n+1}, I_{n+1}, O_{n+1} \rangle = \langle A_n[\cdot], H_n\{\cdot\}, I_n[\cdot], O_n[\cdot] \rangle$ . Let  $\langle A_\omega, H_\omega, I_\omega, O_\omega \rangle$  be given by Lemma 2. Note that  $A_\omega = Fr(A)$ . So we set  $Fr(H) = H_\omega$  and  $Fr(I) = I_\omega$  and  $Fr(O) = O_\omega$ .

LEMMA 5. *If  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle$  satisfies (#), then  $\langle Fr(A), Fr(H), Fr(I), Fr(O) \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle$ .*

Suppose that  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle$  satisfies (#) and  $Dmn(\cdot, A) = A^2$ . Also suppose  $\lambda = \langle a, b, c, d \rangle \in A^4$  and  $a \not\equiv b \ (\bigcap H)$  and  $c \equiv d \ (\theta_H(a, b))$ . Take  $p, q, r \notin A$  and set  $A' = \langle A \cup \{p, q, r\}, \cdot, 0 \rangle$  where  $x \cdot y$  is defined (and equal  $x \cdot y$  in  $A$ ) iff  $x, y \in A$ . For  $\theta \in H$  for which it is not the case that  $a \equiv b \equiv c \equiv 0 \ (\theta)$  set  $\theta' = \theta \cup \{\langle p, p \rangle, \langle q, q \rangle, \langle r, r \rangle\}$ . For  $\theta \in H$  with  $a \equiv b \equiv c \equiv 0 \ (\theta)$  set  $\theta' = \theta \cup (0/\theta \cup \{p, q, r\}^2)$ . Finally set  $H' = \{\theta' : \theta \in H\}$  and  $I' = I \cup \{\langle p, p \rangle, \langle q, q \rangle, \langle r, r \rangle\}$  and  $O' = O \cup ((A')^2 - (I' \cup A^2))$ . Let  $\Phi$  be the smallest equivalence relation on  $A'[\cdot]$  which includes  $\langle c, ap \rangle$  and  $\langle bp, bq \rangle$  and  $\langle aq, ar \rangle$  and  $\langle br, d \rangle$ .  $\Phi$  is a con-

gruence relation of  $A'[\cdot]$  because  $\Phi|_{A'}$  is the equality relation (this is because  $a \neq b$ ) and  $\text{Dmn}(\cdot, A'[\cdot]) = (A')^2$ . Set  $A_\lambda = (A'[\cdot])/\Phi = \langle A_\lambda, \cdot, 0 \rangle$ . Since  $\Phi|_{A'} = \Delta$ ,  $A_\lambda$  is an extension of  $A'$ . So we assume  $A' \subseteq A_\lambda$ . For each  $\theta \in H$ , let  $\theta_\lambda$  be  $(\theta'\{\cdot\} + \Phi)/\Phi$  where  $+$  represents equivalence relation join. Let  $T = pA' \cup qA' \cup rA' \cup \{p, q, r\}$ . Let  $\langle u, v \rangle \in I_\lambda$  iff one of the following holds:

- (i)  $\langle u, v \rangle = \langle x/\Phi, y/\Phi \rangle$  with  $\langle x, y \rangle \in I'[\cdot]$  and  $x, y \in A' \cup T$ ;
- (ii)  $\langle u, v \rangle \in (Ap')^2 \cup (Aq')^2 \cup (Ar')^2$ ;
- (iii)  $\langle u, v \rangle \in (Ap' \times Aq') \cup (Aq' \times Ar')$ ;
- (iv)  $\langle u, c \rangle$  satisfies (i) and  $v \in Ap' \cup Aq'$ ;
- (v)  $\langle u, d \rangle$  satisfies (i) and  $v \in Aq' \cup Ar'$ ;
- (vi)  $\langle c, d \rangle \in I$  and  $u \in Ar'$  and  $v \in Ap'$ ;
- (vii)  $\langle v, u \rangle$  satisfies one of (iii)-(vi).

Let  $O_\lambda = O' \cup (A_\lambda^2 - ((A')^2 \cup I_\lambda))$ .

LEMMA 6. Under the above hypotheses the following hold:

- (i)  $\langle A', H', I', O' \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle$ ;
- (ii)  $\langle A_\lambda, H_\lambda, I_\lambda, O_\lambda \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle$ ;
- (iii) in  $A_\lambda$  we have  $c \equiv d (\theta(a, b))$ .

The last part of the above lemma means that if  $\Psi \in \text{Con}(A_\lambda)$  and  $a \equiv b (\Psi)$ , then also  $c \equiv d (\Psi)$ .

We will prove these lemmas later.

THEOREM 3. If  $L$  is a distributive lattice, then there is a pointed groupoid  $A$  satisfying the following:

- (i)  $\text{Con}(A)$  is isomorphic to the lattice of ideals of  $L$ ;
- (ii) if  $c \equiv d (\theta(a, b))$ , then there are  $p, q, r \in A$  so that  $c = ap$  and  $bp = bq$  and  $aq = ar$  and  $br = d$ ;
- (iii) all joins in  $\text{Con } A$  are type-3.

We shall prove this theorem assuming Lemmas 2-6. As in §3, we can reduce our notational complexity by first proving another lemma.

Suppose  $A$  is a pointed groupoid and  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle$  satisfies (#). Index  $\{\lambda: \lambda = \langle a, b, c, d \rangle \in A^4, a \neq b (\bigcap H), c \equiv d (\theta_H(a, b))\}$  by its cardinal number  $\kappa$ . Set  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle = \langle A_0, H_0, I_0, O_0 \rangle$ . Suppose  $\alpha \leq \kappa$  and  $\langle A_\beta, H_\beta, I_\beta, O_\beta \rangle$  has been defined for all  $\beta < \alpha$  and for  $\gamma < \beta < \alpha$  that  $\langle A_\beta, H_\beta, I_\beta, O_\beta \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A_\gamma, H_\gamma, I_\gamma, O_\gamma \rangle$  and  $A_\beta$  is a pointed groupoid for all  $\beta < \alpha$ . If  $\alpha = \beta + 1$ , set  $\langle A_\alpha, H_\alpha, I_\alpha, O_\alpha \rangle = \langle \text{Fr}((A_\beta)_{\lambda_\beta}), \text{Fr}((H_\beta)_{\lambda_\beta}), \text{Fr}((I_\beta)_{\lambda_\beta}), \text{Fr}((O_\beta)_{\lambda_\beta}) \rangle$ . If  $\alpha$  is a limit ordinal, then we let  $\langle A_\alpha, H_\alpha, I_\alpha, O_\alpha \rangle$  be given by Lemma 2. Set  $\langle A'', H'', I'', O'' \rangle = \langle A_\kappa, H_\kappa, I_\kappa, O_\kappa \rangle$ .

LEMMA 7. Under the above hypotheses the following hold:

- (i)  $A''$  is a pointed groupoid;
- (ii)  $\langle A'', H'', I'', O'' \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle$ ;
- (iii) if  $a, b \in A$  and  $a \not\equiv b (\bigcap H)$  and  $c \equiv d (\Theta_H(a, b))$ ; then there are  $p, q, r \in A''$  so that  $c = ap$  and  $bq = bq$  and  $aq = ar$  and  $br = d$ .
- (iv) if  $a, b \in A$  and  $a \not\equiv b (\bigcap H)$ , then in  $A''$  we have  $\Theta(a, b) \supseteq \theta_H(a, b)$ .

REMARK. The "remark" after Lemma 9 of §3, after obvious trivial changes, applies here as well.

*Proof.* Using the remark and Lemmas 2, 5, and 6 and transfinite induction, one can easily show for each  $\alpha \leq \kappa$  that  $\langle A_\alpha, H_\alpha, I_\alpha, O_\alpha \rangle$  exists and is an extension, for each  $\beta < \alpha$ , of  $\langle A_\beta, H_\beta, I_\beta, O_\beta \rangle$  and that  $A_\alpha$  is a (total) pointed groupoid. Thus (i) and (ii) hold.

Let  $a, b \in A$ , and let  $c \equiv d (\Theta_H(a, b))$ . Suppose  $a \not\equiv b (\bigcap H)$ . Then  $\langle a, b, c, d \rangle$  is some  $\lambda_\beta$ , and we have the required  $p, q, r$ . Thus (iii) holds. (iv) follows easily from (iii).

*Proof of Theorem 3.* Let  $L$  be a distributive lattice. We may suppose  $L$  has a zero. Set  $\langle A_0, H_0, I_0, O_0 \rangle = \langle Fr(B), Fr(H), Fr(I), Fr(O) \rangle$  where  $\langle B, H, I, O \rangle$  is given by Lemma 3. Set  $\langle A_{n+1}, H_{n+1}, I_{n+1}, O_{n+1} \rangle = \langle A''_n, H''_n, I''_n, O''_n \rangle$  using the construction for Lemma 7. Consider  $\langle A_\omega, H_\omega, I_\omega, O_\omega \rangle$  as given by Lemma 2. By Lemma 2,  $A_\omega$  is a (total) pointed groupoid. Lemma 3, Lemma 5, Lemma 7, Lemma 2, induction, the transitivity of the extension relation, and the remark after Lemma 7 all imply that  $\langle H_\omega; \subseteq \rangle \cong \langle H; \subseteq \rangle \cong L$ .

Claim 1. If  $a \not\equiv b (\bigcap H_\omega)$ , then  $\Theta(a, b) = \Theta_{H_\omega}(a, b)$ .

We suppose  $a \not\equiv b (\bigcap H_\omega)$ . By Lemma 7, Lemma 2, and the "remark" after Lemma 7 we have  $a \not\equiv b (\bigcap H_n)$  for any  $n$  satisfying  $a, b \in A_n$ . If  $a, b \in A_n$ , we let  $\Theta_n(a, b)$  denote the smallest congruence relation of  $A_n$  containing  $\langle a, b \rangle$ . By (iv) of Lemma 7 and induction, by Lemma 7 and Lemma 2 and the remark after Lemma 7, and from general principals we have that  $\Theta_{H_\omega}(a, b) \supseteq \Theta(a, b) \supseteq \bigcup (\Theta_{n+1}(a, b): a, b \in A_n) \supseteq \bigcup (\Theta_{H_n}(a, b): a, b \in A_n) = \Theta_{H_\omega}(a, b)$ . This ends the proof of Claim 1.

Let  $M$  be the filter (dual ideal) of  $\text{Con } A_\omega$  consisting of all congruences containing  $(\bigcap H_\omega)$ .

Claim 2. If  $\theta \in M$ , then  $\theta$  contains the  $H_\omega$ -closure of each of its finite subsets.

By hypothesis and Claim 1  $\theta \supseteq \Theta_{H_\omega}(a, b)$  for each  $\langle a, b \rangle \in \theta$ . Now (I) of (#) finishes the proof of the claim.

$M$  is an algebraic closure system. Let  $K = \{[X]_M : X \text{ is a finite subset of } A_\omega^2\}$ .

*Claim 3.*  $K = H_\omega$ .

$K$  and  $H_\omega$  are both bases. So it suffices to show that  $[X]_M = [X]_{H_\omega}$  for each finite subset  $X$  of  $A_\omega^2$ . Let  $X$  be such. By Claim 2 and general principles we have  $[X]_K = [X]_M \supseteq [X]_{H_\omega} \supseteq [X]_{\text{con } A_\omega} + (\bigcap H_\omega) = [X]_M = [X]_K$ , where  $+$  is equivalence relation join. This establishes the claim.

Set  $A = A_\omega / (\bigcap H_\omega)$ . Since  $\langle K; \subseteq \rangle = \langle H_\omega; \subseteq \rangle \cong L$ , it follows (see §2) that  $\text{Con } A \cong \langle M; \subseteq \rangle \cong$  the ideal lattice of  $L$ . This establishes (i) of the theorem.

Suppose  $c \equiv d (\theta(a, b))$  in  $A$ .

Suppose that  $a \neq b$ . Let  $a', b', c', d' \in A_\omega$  be such that  $a' / (\bigcap H_\omega) = a$ , etc. Certainly  $a' \not\equiv b' (\bigcap H_\omega)$ . By general principles and the above claims, we obtain  $c' \equiv d' (\theta_{H_\omega}(a', b'))$ . Now Lemma 2, Lemma 7 and "remark" after Lemma 7 yields  $p', q', r'$  satisfying  $a'p' = c$ , etc. With  $p = p' / (\bigcap H_\omega)$ , etc., we have  $ap = c, bp = bq$ , etc.

Now suppose  $a = b$ . Then certainly  $c = d$ . If  $A$  is the one element algebra,  $p = q = r = 0$  = the one element, will do. If  $A$  is not the one element algebra, choose some  $b^* \neq b$ . Then  $c \equiv d (\theta(a, b^*))$ . By the previous case there are  $p^*, q^*, r^*$  with  $ap^* = c, b^*p^* = b^*q^*$ , etc. With  $p = q = r = p^*$  we have  $c = d = ap = bp = bq = aq = ar = br = d$ .

Thus (ii) of the theorem is true. We defer the proof of (iii) till after the proof of Lemma 3.

*Proof of Lemma 3.* We suppose  $L$  is a distributive lattice with zero. Set  $B = L$ , and let  $0$  be the zero of  $L$ . Set  $0 \cdot 0 = 0$  and  $\text{Dmn}(\cdot) = \{\langle 0, 0 \rangle\}$  and  $B = \langle B, \cdot, 0 \rangle$ . For  $b \in B$  define  $\theta_b$  by  $x \equiv y (\theta_b)$  iff  $x = y$  or  $x \vee y \leq b$ . We set  $H = \{\theta_b : b \in B\}$  and  $I = B^2$  and  $O = \emptyset$ . It is not too hard to show that  $\langle B, H, I, O \rangle$  has the required properties. Details are left to the reader.

*Proof of (iii) of Theorem 3.* For the  $B$  and  $H$  of the proof of Lemma 3, we have  $\bigcap H = \Delta$ , and so  $(\bigcap H_\omega)|_B = \Delta$ . Thus we may suppose  $B \subseteq A$ . Let  $c, d \in A$  and  $\theta, \Phi \in \text{Con}(A)$ . Suppose  $c \equiv d (\theta \vee \Phi)$  and  $c \not\equiv d (\theta)$  and  $c \not\equiv d (\Phi)$ . Since  $\theta(c, d)$  is compact in  $\text{Con}(A)$ , we can find compact  $\theta_0, \Phi_0$  such that  $c \equiv d (\theta_0 \vee \Phi_0)$  and  $\theta_0 \subseteq \theta$  and  $\Phi_0 \subseteq \Phi$ . Let  $\theta'_0$  and  $\Phi'_0$  be the congruences of  $A_\omega$  satisfying  $\theta'_0 / (\bigcap H_\omega) = \theta_0$  and  $\Phi'_0 / (\bigcap H_\omega) = \Phi_0$ .  $\theta'_0$  and  $\Phi'_0$  are in  $H_\omega$ ; also neither equals  $(\bigcap H_\omega)$ . So  $\theta'_0|_B \in H$  and  $\Phi'_0|_B \in H$  and neither equals  $\Delta$ . So there exist nonzero  $a, b \in B$  with  $\theta_H(a, 0) = \theta'_0|_B$  and  $\theta_H(b, 0) = \Phi'_0|_B$

and  $\Theta_H(a, b) = \Theta'_0|_B \vee \Phi'_0|_B$ . Hence  $\Theta_{H_\omega}(a, 0) = \Theta'_0$  and  $\Theta_{H_\omega}(b, 0) = \Phi'_0$  and  $\Theta_{H_\omega}(a, b) = \Theta'_0 \vee \Phi'_0$ . We have now that  $\Theta(a, 0) = \Theta_0$  and  $\Theta(b, 0) = \Phi_0$  and  $\Theta(a, b) = \Theta_0 \vee \Phi_0$ . The rest is as in the proof of Theorem 2, ending our proof of Theorem 3.

*Proof of Lemma 2.* Suppose  $x, y \in A_\alpha$ . Then there is a  $\beta < \alpha$  with  $x, y \in A_\beta$ . By (ii) of the definition of extension,  $x \cdot y$  is defined in  $A_{\beta+1}$  and, hence, in  $A_\alpha$ . Thus  $A_\alpha$  is a (total) pointed groupoid.

Since  $A_\alpha \times A_\alpha = \text{Dmn}(\cdot, A_\alpha)$ , (i)-(v) of the definition of extension and (D) and (F) of (#) are obvious. Establish that  $H_\alpha$  is a basis as in the proof of Lemma 3.6, yielding (C) of (#). (A) and (B) of (#) are obvious. Clearly  $\bigcap H_\alpha = (\bigcap H_0)_\alpha = \bigcup([\bigcap H_0]_{H_\beta} : \beta < \alpha)$ . So (E) of (#) for  $A_\alpha$  and  $H_\alpha$  follows. Let  $a, b \in A_\alpha$ . Pick any  $\beta < \alpha$  such that  $a, b \in A_\beta$ . By the definition of extension (as applied to  $\langle A_\beta, \dots \rangle$  and  $\langle A_\gamma, \dots \rangle$  for another  $\gamma < \alpha$ ) and the “remark” after Lemma 7, it is clearly the case that  $\Theta_{H_\alpha}(a, b) = ((\Theta_{H_\beta}(a, b))|_{A_0})_\alpha$ . (G) of (#) for  $\langle A_\alpha, H_\alpha, I_\alpha, O_\alpha \rangle$  now follows easily from the hypotheses and the definition of extension and from the fact that “ $D$ ” =  $A_\alpha$ . So by Lemma 1, we are done with the proof of Lemma 2.

Here, finally, is the proof of one of the two crucial lemmas.

*Proof of Lemma 4.* The first thing we need to establish is that each  $\Theta\{\cdot\}$  is a congruence relation on  $A[\cdot]$ . Since, by Lemma 0,  $\Psi(xy, uv) = \Psi(uv, xy)$  and  $\Phi(xy, uv) = \Phi(uv, xy)$ , we only need to show that each  $\Theta\{\cdot\}$  is transitive. Let  $\Theta \in H$ , and suppose  $a \equiv b$  ( $\Theta\{\cdot\}$ ) and  $b \equiv c$  ( $\Theta\{\cdot\}$ ). The only cases we need to consider are:

- (a)  $a \in A, b \in A, c \notin A$ ;
- (b)  $a \in A, b \notin A, c \in A$ ;
- (c)  $a \notin A, b \in A, c \notin A$ ;
- (d)  $a \in A, b \notin A, c \notin A$ ;
- (e)  $a \notin A, b \notin A, c \notin A$ .

In what follows, “ $cd \in C(xy)$ ” will abbreviate “ $cd$  is an element of  $C(xy)$  and  $c$  CLS  $x$  (in  $D, \text{mod } H$ ) and  $d$  CLS  $y$  (in  $D, \text{mod } H$ ).”

*Case a.*  $c = rs \notin A$ . For any  $hi \in C(rs)$  the definition of  $\Theta\{\cdot\}$  yields  $a \equiv b \equiv hi$  ( $\Theta$ ) and  $\Phi(hi, rs) \subseteq \Theta$ . Thus  $a \equiv hi$  ( $\Theta$ ) and  $a \equiv c$  ( $\Theta\{\cdot\}$ ).

*Case b.*  $b = uv \notin A$ . For any  $fg \in C(uv)$  the definition of  $\Theta\{\cdot\}$  yields  $a \equiv fg \equiv c$  ( $\Theta$ ) and  $a \equiv c$  ( $\Theta$ ).

*Case c.*  $a = xy \notin A$  and  $c = rs \notin A$ . For any  $de \in C(xy)$  and  $hi \in C(rs)$ , the definition of  $\Theta\{\cdot\}$  yields  $\Phi(xy, de) \subseteq \Theta$  and  $de \equiv b \equiv hi$  ( $\Theta$ ) and  $\Phi(hi, rs) \subseteq \Theta$ . Hence  $\Psi(xy, rs) \subseteq \Theta$  and  $a \equiv c$  ( $\Theta\{\cdot\}$ ).

Case d.  $b = uv \notin A$  and  $c = rs \notin A$ . Let  $fg \in C(uv)$  and  $hi \in C(rs)$ . By definition of  $\theta\{\cdot\}$  we have  $a \equiv fg \ (\theta)$  and  $\Phi(fg, uv) \subseteq \theta$ . Suppose  $\langle v, s \rangle \in O$ . By Lemma 0.B.(ii) and the definition of  $\theta\{\cdot\}$ ,  $\Psi(uv, rs) \subseteq \theta$ . But then  $fg \equiv hi \ (\theta)$  and  $\Phi(hi, rs) \subseteq \theta$ . Transitivity of  $\theta$  yields  $a \equiv hi \ (\theta)$ . Hence  $a \equiv c \ (\theta\{\cdot\})$ . Suppose  $\langle v, s \rangle \in I$ . By Lemma 0.B.(i) and the definition of  $\theta\{\cdot\}$ ,  $\Phi(uv, rs) \subseteq \theta$ . By Lemma 0.A.(iii)  $\theta \supseteq \Phi(rs, fg) = [\theta_H(r, f) \wedge \theta_H(s, 0)] \vee \theta_H(s, g)$ . Since  $f, g \in D$  and  $h$  and  $i$  are the closest things to  $r$  and  $s$ , respectively, we have  $\theta_H(r, f) \supseteq \theta_H(r, h)$  and  $\theta_H(s, g) \supseteq \theta_H(s, i)$ . It follows that  $\theta \supseteq \Phi(rs, fg) \supseteq \Phi(rs, hi)$ . Using 0.A.(iii) again and 0.A.(ii) we have  $\theta_H(fg, hi) \subseteq \Phi(fg, hi) \subseteq \theta$ . That is  $a \equiv fg \equiv hi \ (\theta)$ . By transitivity of  $\theta$ ,  $a \equiv hi \ (\theta)$ . Just above we have  $\Phi(rs, hi) \subseteq \theta$ . By definition,  $a \equiv c \ (\theta\{\cdot\})$ . (G) of (#) says there are no more subcases.

Case e.  $a = xy \notin A$  and  $b = uv \notin A$  and  $c = rs \notin A$ . By Lemma 0.A.(iii) and symmetry, the only subcase we need consider is the one in which  $\langle y, v \rangle \in O$ . Let  $de \in C(xy)$  and  $fg \in C(uv)$ . Consider  $\Psi(xy, uv)$ , which is contained in  $\theta$  by 0.B.(ii). Then by definition and hypothesis,  $a \equiv de \ (\theta\{\cdot\})$  and  $de \equiv b \ (\theta\{\cdot\})$  and  $b \equiv c \ (\theta\{\cdot\})$ . Then Case (c) yields  $de \equiv c \ (\theta\{\cdot\})$ , and Case (b) yields  $a \equiv c \ (\theta\{\cdot\})$ .

It is now clear that (i)-(v) of the definition of extension and (A), (B), (D) of (#) hold.

The definition of  $\theta\{\cdot\}$  for each  $\theta \in H$  makes it obvious that  $[\langle a, b \rangle]_{H\{\cdot\}} = \theta_{H\{\cdot\}}(a, b)$  exists for each  $a, b \in A[\cdot]$ . For example, if  $a \in A$  and  $b = uv \notin A$  and  $ef \in C(uv)$ , then  $\theta_{H\{\cdot\}}(a, b) = [\theta_H(a, ef) \vee \Phi(ef, uv)]\{\cdot\}$ . Now apply Lemma 2.2 to  $H$  and then to  $H\{\cdot\}$ , concluding that  $H\{\cdot\}$  is a basis. So (C) of (#) holds.

It is clear that for any  $a, b \in A$  we have  $\Phi(a0, b0) = \bigcap H$ . If both  $a, b \in D$ , then by 0.A.(ii), we have  $\langle a0, b0 \rangle \in \theta_H(a0, b0) \subseteq \Phi(a0, b0) = \bigcap H \subseteq \bigcap (H\{\cdot\})$ . If neither  $a$  nor  $b$  is in  $D$ , we have  $\langle a0, b0 \rangle \in \theta_{H\{\cdot\}}(a0, b0) \subseteq (\Phi(a0, b0))\{\cdot\} = (\bigcap H)\{\cdot\} = \bigcap (H\{\cdot\})$ . Suppose  $a \in D$  and  $b \notin D$ . There is a  $c0 \in C(b0)$ . Now  $\theta_{H\{\cdot\}}(a0, b0) = (\Phi(a0, c0) \vee \Phi(c0, b0))\{\cdot\} = (\bigcap H)\{\cdot\} = \bigcap (H\{\cdot\})$ . So (E) of (#) holds.

Clearly any  $c \in C(a)$  satisfies  $c$  CLS  $a$  (in  $A$ , mod  $H\{\cdot\}$ ) for any  $a \in A[\cdot] - A$ . And we obtain (F) of (#).

Consider (G) of (#). Clearly  $I[\cdot] \cup O[\cdot] = (A[\cdot])^2$ .

Suppose  $\langle a, b \rangle \in O[\cdot]$ . If  $\langle a, b \rangle \in O$ , then  $a \equiv 0 \ (\theta_H(a, b))$ . So certainly  $a \equiv 0 \ (\theta_{H\{\cdot\}}(a, b))$ . Suppose  $a \in A$  and  $b \notin A$ . Then  $\langle a, b \rangle \notin I[\cdot]$ . So for every  $c \in C(b)$  we have  $\langle a, c \rangle \notin I$ . Thus  $\langle a, c \rangle \in O$  for every such  $c$ , and  $a \equiv 0 \ (\theta_H(a, c))$ . But  $\theta_H(a, c) \subseteq \theta_{H\{\cdot\}}(a, b)$ . Suppose  $a \notin A$  and  $b \notin A$ . Then for every  $cd \in C(a)$  and  $ef \in C(b)$  we have  $\langle cd, ef \rangle \notin I$ . Hence  $\langle d, f \rangle \notin I$  and  $cd \equiv 0 \ (\theta_H(cd, ef))$  and  $\theta_{H\{\cdot\}}(a, b) = (\Psi(a, b))\{\cdot\}$  - This makes sense because  $a$  and  $b$  have unique factorizations - and so  $a \equiv cd \equiv ef \equiv b \ (\theta_{H\{\cdot\}}(a, b))$ , and then  $a \equiv cd \equiv$

0  $(\Theta_{H(\cdot)}(a, b))$ . So (i) of (G) of (#) holds.

(ii) and (iii) of (G) of (#) clearly are satisfied (just look at the definition of  $I[\cdot]$ ).

Let  $c, d, e, f \in A$  with  $\langle d, f \rangle \in I[\cdot]$ . It follows that  $\langle d, f \rangle \in I$ . If  $cd, ef \in A$ , then  $\langle cd, ef \rangle \in I \subseteq I[\cdot]$ . Suppose  $cd \in A$  and  $ef \notin A$ . By G.(iii) of (#) for  $I$  we may choose  $gh \in C(ef)$  with  $\langle d, h \rangle \in I$ . By G.(iv)(a) of (#) for  $I$  we have  $\langle cd, gh \rangle \in I$ , and so  $\langle cd, ef \rangle \in I[\cdot]$ . Suppose  $cd \notin A$  and  $ef \notin A$ . Similar to the preceding case, we can find  $\langle gh, ij \rangle \in I \cap (C(cd) \times C(ef))$ , and then  $\langle cd, ef \rangle \in I[\cdot]$ . Thus G.(iv)(a) of (#) holds for  $I[\cdot]$ .

Let us continue with the same  $c, d, e, f$ .  $\Phi^*(xy, uv)$  will represent  $[\Theta_{H(\cdot)}(x, u) \wedge \Theta_{H(\cdot)}(y, 0)] \vee \Theta_{H(\cdot)}(y, v)$ , while  $\Phi(xy, uv)$  still equals  $[\Theta_H(x, u) \wedge \Theta_H(y, 0)] \vee \Theta_H(y, v)$ . If both  $cd, ef$  are in  $A$  or both are not in  $A$ , we have  $\Theta_{H(\cdot)}(cd, ef) = (\Phi(cd, ef))\{\cdot\} = \Phi^*(cd, ef)$ , the desired result. Suppose then that  $cd \in A$  and  $ef \notin A$ . We may choose  $gh \in C(ef)$  with  $\langle d, h \rangle \in I$ , and then  $\Theta_{H(\cdot)}(cd, ef) = [\Theta_H(cd, gh) \vee \Phi(gh, ef)]\{\cdot\} = [\Phi(cd, gh) \vee \Phi(gh, ef)]\{\cdot\} \supseteq [\Phi(cd, ef)]\{\cdot\} = \Phi^*(cd, ef) \supseteq \Theta_{H(\cdot)}(cd, ef)$ , where the last inequality is supplied by (ii) of (A) of Lemma 0 (note that (A) of the lemma only requires (A)-(F) of (#)). Thus G.(iv)(b) of (#) holds for  $I[\cdot]$ .

Clearly, (v) of (G) of (#) holds for  $I[\cdot]$ .

By Lemma 1, we are done.

*Proof of Lemma 5.* This follows from Lemma 4, the transitivity of the extension relation, and Lemma 2.

Now we come to the proof of the last (and second crucial) lemma.

*Proof of Lemma 6.* First we show that  $\langle A', H', I', O' \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A, H, I, O \rangle$ .

That (i)-(v) of the definition of extension and (A), (B), (D) of (#) hold is obvious. If  $x, y \in H$ , then  $\Theta_{H'}(x, y) = (\Theta_H(x, y))'$ . If  $x \neq y$  and  $x, y \in \{p, q, r\}$ , then  $\Theta_{H'}(x, y) = (\Theta_H(a, b, c, 0))'$ . If  $x \in A$  and  $y \in \{p, q, r\}$ , then  $\Theta_{H'}(x, y) = (\Theta_H(a, b, c, 0) \vee \Theta_H(0, x))'$ . Apply Lemma 2.2 to  $H$ , use the above and  $H' = \{\theta' : \theta \in H\}$ , apply Lemma 2.2 to  $H'$ , and conclude that  $H'$  is a basis. Whence (C) of (#) holds. For every  $a, b \in A$  we know  $\langle a \cdot 0, b \cdot 0 \rangle \in \bigcap H \subseteq (\bigcap H)' = \bigcap (H')$ . That is, (E) of (#) is valid. For any  $x \in [p, q, r]$  0 CLS  $x$  (in  $A$ , mod  $H'$ ) obviously holds (see the description of  $\Theta_{H'}(x, y)$ ). (F) of (#) follows.

Clearly  $(A')^2 = I' \cup O'$ . (iii) and (iv) of (G) of (#) follow from the hypothesis and construction. (i) also follows immediately from the construction and hypothesis. Consider (ii). If  $\langle y, v \rangle \in I' - I$ , then  $\langle 0, 0 \rangle$  will do for the required  $\langle d, f \rangle$ . Otherwise,  $\langle d, f \rangle = \langle y, v \rangle$  will suffice.

Now (i) of this lemma follows from Lemma 1.

Next we will show that  $\langle A_\lambda, H_\lambda, I_\lambda, O_\lambda \rangle$  is an extension of  $\langle A', H', I', O' \rangle$ . Then (ii) of this lemma will follow from the transitivity of the extension relation.

Since  $\theta_\lambda = (\theta'\{\cdot\} + \Phi)/\Phi$ , we will need a good description of  $\theta'\{\cdot\} + \Phi$  in order that we may proceed. The definition of  $T$  is before that of  $I_\lambda$ .

*Claim 1.* Let  $\theta \in H$ .

(i) If  $a \equiv b \equiv c \equiv 0$  ( $\theta$ ), then  $\Phi \subseteq \theta'\{\cdot\}$ . Moreover,  $(\{0, c, d\} \cup A'p \cup A'q \cup A'r)^2 \subseteq \theta'\{\cdot\}$ .

(ii) If  $x, y \in A' \cup T$ , then  $x \equiv y$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\} + \Phi$ ) iff  $x \equiv y$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\}$ ).

(iii) If  $\langle x, y \rangle \in (A'p)^2 \cup (A'q)^2 \cup (A'r)^2$ , then  $x \equiv y$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\} + \Phi$ ) iff  $x \equiv y$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\}$ ).

(iv) If  $\langle x, y \rangle \in A'p \times A'q$ , then  $x \equiv y$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\} + \Phi$ ) iff  $x \equiv bp$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\}$ ) and  $bq \equiv y$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\}$ ).

(v) If  $\langle x, y \rangle \in A'q \times A'r$ , then  $x \equiv y$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\} + \Phi$ ) iff  $x \equiv aq$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\}$ ) and  $ar \equiv y$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\}$ ).

(vi) If  $x \in A' \cup T$  and  $y \in A'p \cup A'q$ , then  $x \equiv y$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\} + \Phi$ ) iff  $x \equiv c$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\}$ ) and  $ap \equiv y$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\} + \Phi$ ).

(vii) If  $x \in A' \cup T$  and  $y \in A'q \cup A'r$ , then  $x \equiv y$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\} + \Phi$ ) iff  $x \equiv d$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\}$ ) and  $br \equiv y$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\} + \Phi$ ).

(i) of the claim is obvious. (ii)-(vii) are routine. We will prove (ii) as an example.

Let  $x, y \in A' \cup T$  and  $\theta \in H$ . If  $a \equiv b \equiv c \equiv 0$  ( $\theta$ ), then by (i),  $\theta'\{\cdot\} + \Phi = \theta'\{\cdot\}$ , and so  $\langle x, y \rangle \in \theta'\{\cdot\} + \Phi$  iff  $\langle x, y \rangle \in \theta'\{\cdot\}$ . So we suppose it is not the case that  $a \equiv b \equiv c \equiv 0$  ( $\theta$ ) and  $x \equiv y$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\} + \Phi$ ). Then there exists  $x = s_0, \dots, s_n = y$  such that  $s_i \equiv s_{i+1}$  under either  $\theta'\{\cdot\}$  or  $\Phi$ . Let us suppose  $n$  is minimal. So  $s_i \neq s_j$  if  $i \neq j$ . Moreover,  $s_i \equiv s_{i+1}$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\}$ ) iff  $s_i \not\equiv s_{i+1}$  ( $\Phi$ ) iff  $s_{i+1} \equiv s_{i+2}$  ( $\Phi$ ). Suppose  $n > 1$ . Choose  $l$  minimal so that  $s_l \equiv s_{l+1}$  ( $\Phi$ ). So  $l = 0$  or  $1$ . We have  $x = s_0 \equiv s_l$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\}$ ). By the assumption about  $\theta$ ,  $u \equiv v$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\}$ ) and  $v \in A'p$  imply  $u \in A'p$ . Similarly for  $A'q$  and  $A'r$ . Since  $x = s_0 \notin A'p \cup A'q \cup A'r$ , we have  $s_l \in A' \cup T$ . Since  $\Phi|_{A' \cup T} = \Delta$ , we have  $s_{l+1} \notin A' \cup T$ . Now  $s_l \Phi s_{l+1}$  implies  $\langle s_l, s_{l+1} \rangle = \langle c, ap \rangle$  or  $\langle s_l, s_{l+1} \rangle = \langle d, br \rangle$ .

Let us suppose  $s_l = c$ .  $s_{l+1} \neq y$  because  $y \in A' \cup T$ . So  $s_{l+2}$  exists, and  $ap = s_{l+1} \equiv s_{l+2}$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\}$ ). By the above reasoning,  $s_{l+2} \in A'p$  and  $s_{l+2} \neq y$  and  $s_{l+3}$  exists and  $s_{l+2} \Phi s_{l+3}$ . Since  $s_{l+1} \neq s_{l+2} \neq s_{l+3}$ , the definition of  $\Phi$  yields  $s_{l+2} = bp$  and  $s_{l+3} = bq$ . (Here we are using strongly the fact that  $a \neq b$ .) Continuing in this way we obtain  $s_{l+7} = d$  and  $n \geq 7$ . Recall  $s_l = c$ . We have  $ap = s_{l+1} \equiv s_{l+2} = bp$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\}$ ). Hence  $\theta_{H'(\cdot)}(a, b) = [\theta_{H'(\cdot)}(a, b) \wedge \theta_{H'(\cdot)}(p, 0)] = \theta_{H'(\cdot)}(ap, bp) \subseteq \theta'\{\cdot\}$ . Thus  $\theta_H(a, b) \subseteq \theta$  and  $c \equiv d$  ( $\theta$ ). Thus,  $s_l \equiv s_{l+7}$  ( $\theta'\{\cdot\}$ ), and  $n$  is not minimal. This is a contradiction. The case  $s_l = d$  is similar.

So  $n = 1$ . As in the proof of Lemma 3.8, we have  $x \equiv y (\Theta'\{\cdot\})$ .

(iii)–(vii) of the claim are left to the reader.

It clearly follows from (ii)–(vii) of Claim 1 and Lemma 2.2 that  $\{\theta'\{\cdot\} + \Phi : \theta \in H\}$  is a basis consisting of congruence relations of  $A'[\cdot]$ . By Lemma 2.4,  $H_\lambda = \{(\Theta'\{\cdot\} + \Phi)/\Phi : \theta \in H\}$  is a basis consisting of congruence relations of  $A_\lambda$ .

It is clear that (i)–(v) of the extension definition and (A)–(D) of (#) hold for  $\langle A_\lambda, H_\lambda, I_\lambda, O_\lambda \rangle$  vis-à-vis  $\langle A', H', I', O' \rangle$ .

For any  $a, b \in A'$  we have, in  $A'\{\cdot\}$ ,  $\langle a0, b0 \rangle \in \bigcap (H'\{\cdot\}) = (\bigcap H)\{\cdot\} \subseteq ((\bigcap H)'\{\cdot\}) + \Phi$ . So in  $A_\lambda$ , we have, for any  $a, b \in A'$ , that  $\langle a0, b0 \rangle \in (((\bigcap H)'\{\cdot\}) + \Phi)/\Phi = \bigcap H_\lambda$ . Thus (E) of (#) holds for  $A_\lambda$  and  $H_\lambda$ .

For every  $x \in A' \cup T$  there is an  $e \in A'$  satisfying  $e \text{ CLS } x$  (in  $A'$ , mod  $H'\{\cdot\}$ ). By (ii) of Claim 1, we have, given the same  $x$  and  $e$ ,  $e \text{ CLS } x$  (in  $A'$ , mod  $H_\lambda$ ).

Recall, in what follows, that closest things need not be unique. Also, it may appear to the reader that there is some apparent ambiguity as to  $\Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, y)$  as given by (ii)–(vii) of Claim 1. Lemma 2.4 assures us that this apparent ambiguity is not real.

(vi) of Claim 1 implies that  $c \text{ CLS } x$  (in  $A'$ , mod  $H_\lambda$ ) holds for any  $x \in A'p \cup A'q$ . (vii) yields that  $d \text{ CLS } x$  (in  $A'$ , mod  $H_\lambda$ ) holds for any  $x \in A'q \cup A'r$ .

We have established (F) of (#) for  $A_\lambda$  and  $H_\lambda$ .

Certainly  $A_\lambda^2 = I_\lambda \cup O_\lambda$ . Suppose  $\langle x, y \rangle \in O_\lambda$ . Then one of the following holds:

- (i)  $\langle x, y \rangle = \langle u/\Phi, v/\Phi \rangle$  and  $\langle u, v \rangle \in O'\{\cdot\}$  and  $u, v \in A' \cup T$ ;
- (ii)  $\langle x, c \rangle$  satisfies (i) and  $y \in A'p \cup A'q$ ;
- (iii)  $\langle x, d \rangle$  satisfies (i) and  $y \in A'q \cup A'r$ ;
- (iv)  $\langle c, d \rangle \in O$  and  $x \in A'p$  and  $y \in A'r$ ;
- (v)  $\langle y, x \rangle$  satisfies one of (ii)–(iv).

Claim 1 makes it obvious, that in each of these cases,  $x \equiv 0 (\Theta_{H_\lambda}(x, y))$ . We have established (i) of (G) of (#) for  $O_\lambda$  and  $H_\lambda$ . (ii) of (G) of (#) for  $I_\lambda$  is obvious.

We know  $I'[\cdot]$  and  $H'\{\cdot\}$  satisfy (iii) of (G) of (#). Recall our description of  $H_\lambda$ -closest things in  $A'$  and that  $\langle c, c \rangle$  and  $\langle d, d \rangle$  are in  $I \subseteq I_\lambda$ . Now the definition of  $I_\lambda$  makes it plain that (iii) of (G) of (#) holds for  $H_\lambda$  and  $I_\lambda$ .

Suppose  $e, f, g, h \in A'$  and  $\langle f, h \rangle \in I_\lambda$ . Then  $\langle f, h \rangle \in I'$ .

If  $\langle f, h \rangle \in \{\langle p, p \rangle, \langle q, q \rangle, \langle r, r \rangle\}$ , then  $\langle ef, gh \rangle \in I_\lambda$  by (ii) of its definition. Otherwise,  $\langle f, h \rangle \in I$  and  $\langle ef, gh \rangle \in A' \cup T$ . Whence,  $\langle ef, gh \rangle \in I'\{\cdot\}$  and (i) of the definition of  $I_\lambda$  is satisfied. So (a) of (iv) of (G) of (#) holds for  $A_\lambda$  and  $H_\lambda$ .

If  $\langle f, h \rangle \in \{\langle p, p \rangle, \langle q, q \rangle, \langle r, r \rangle\}$ , then (iii) of Claim 1 and (#) for  $\langle A'[\cdot], H'\{\cdot\}, \dots \rangle$  imply that  $\Theta_{H_\lambda}(ef, gh) = ((\Theta_{H'\{\cdot\}}(ef, gh) + \Phi)/\Phi = ((\Theta_{H'\{\cdot\}}(e, g) \wedge \Theta_{H'\{\cdot\}}(f, 0)) + \Phi)/\Phi$ , since  $f = h$ ,  $= (((\Theta_{H'\{\cdot\}}(e, g) + \Phi) \wedge$

$\Theta_{H'(\cdot)}(f, \theta)/\Phi$ , since  $\Phi \subseteq \Theta_{H'(\cdot)}(f, 0)$  and since  $\theta \rightarrow (\theta + \Phi)$  is an order isomorphism between the bases  $H'\{\cdot\}$  and  $\{\theta'\{\cdot\} + \Phi: \theta \in H\}$ ,  $= ((\Theta_{H'(\cdot)}(e, g) + \Phi)/\Phi \wedge \Theta_{H'(\cdot)}(f, 0)/\Phi = \Theta_{H_\lambda}(e, g) \wedge \Theta_{H_\lambda}(f, 0) = [\Theta_{H_\lambda}(e, g) \wedge \Theta_{H_\lambda}(f, 0)] \vee \Theta_{H_\lambda}(f, h)$  since  $f = h$ . So we may suppose  $\langle f, h \rangle \in I$ . Then  $ef, gh \in A' \cup T$ . Then (ii) of Claim 1 and a similar calculation yield the desired result. That is, (b) of (iv) of (G) of (#) holds for  $A_\lambda$  and  $H_\lambda$ .

(i) and (ii) of the definition of  $I_\lambda$  yield (v) of (G) of (#) for  $I_\lambda$  and  $A_\lambda$ . Now we apply Lemma 1 and transitivity to obtain (ii) of the lemma.

The proof of (iii) of the lemma is just like the proof of Lemma 3.8.(iii), and it is obvious anyway.

5. Sums and products. In this section we make a few, previously known and simple observations about congruence relations on direct products and direct sums of algebras.

Suppose  $(A_i: i \in I)$  is a family of pointed algebras.  $\prod A_i$  and  $\prod (A_i: i \in I)$  will denote the direct product of this family.  $\Sigma A_i$  and  $\Sigma(A_i: i \in I)$  will denote  $\{x \in \prod A_i: \{i \in I: x(i) \neq 0\} \text{ is finite}\}$ .  $\Sigma A_i$  and  $\Sigma(A_i: i \in I)$  will denote the corresponding algebra.

Suppose  $(A_i: i \in I)$  is a family of algebras and  $\theta_i \in \text{Con } A_i$  for each  $i$ . For  $x, y \in \prod A_i$  we let  $x \prod \theta_i y$  (or  $x \equiv y (\prod \theta_i)$ ) iff  $x \theta_i y$  for all  $i \in I$ . If the  $A_i$ 's are pointed algebras, we will also use  $\prod \theta_i$  to denote  $\prod \theta_i|_{-A_i}$ . A congruence is *rectangular* iff it is of the form  $\prod \theta_i$ .

By studying when a pair is in a join of congruence relations we easily see

*Fact 1.* (i) If  $I$  is finite, then in  $\text{Con}(\prod A_i)$  the join of rectangular congruences is rectangular.

(ii) If each  $A_i$  is a pointed algebra, then in  $\text{Con}(\Sigma A_i)$  the join of rectangular congruences is rectangular.

**COROLLARY 1.** *The mapping  $\langle \theta_i: i \in I \rangle \rightarrow \prod \theta_i$  embeds  $\prod(\text{Con}(A_i): i \in I)$  into  $\text{Con}(\prod A_i)$ , if  $I$  is finite, and into  $\text{Con}(\Sigma A_i)$ , if each  $A_i$  is a pointed algebra.*

Since every congruence is a join of principal congruences, we obtain

**COROLLARY 2.** (i) *Suppose  $I$  is finite. If each principal congruence of  $\prod A_i$  is rectangular, then every congruence of  $\prod A_i$  is rectangular, and  $\text{Con}(\prod A_i)$  is isomorphic to  $\prod \text{Con}(A_i)$ .*

(ii) *Suppose each  $A_i$  is a pointed algebra. If each principal*

*congruence of  $\Sigma A_i$  is rectangular, then every congruence relation of  $\Sigma A_i$  is rectangular, and  $\text{Con}(\Sigma A_i)$  is isomorphic to  $\coprod \text{Con}(A_i)$ .*

DEFINITION. For  $i < 4$ , let  $t_i$  be the 4-ary term  $x_0 \cdot x_i$ . Let  $\tau = \langle t_1, t_2, t_3 \rangle$ .  $\tau$  defines the principal congruences of  $A$  if and only if for every  $a, b, c, d \in A$ , it holds that  $\langle c, d \rangle \in \Theta(a, b)$  iff there exist  $p, q, r \in A$  with  $c = t_1(a, p, q, r)$  and  $t_1(b, p, q, r) = t_2(b, p, q, r)$  and  $t_2(a, p, q, r) = t_3(a, p, q, r)$  and  $t_3(b, p, q, r) = d$ .

Let  $a, b \in \coprod A_i$ , assuming definability by  $\tau$ , one can easily show  $\coprod \Theta(a_i, b_i) \subseteq \Theta(a, b)$ . The proof works equally well in  $\coprod A_i$  and in  $\Sigma A_i$ . This yields

*Fact 2.* Suppose  $\tau$  defines the principal congruences of each  $A_i$ .

- (i) Every principal congruence of  $\coprod A_i$  is rectangular.
- (ii) If each  $A_i$  is a pointed algebra, then every principal congruence of  $\Sigma A_i$  is rectangular.

Obviously, we have

THEOREM 4. *Suppose  $\tau$  defines the principal congruences of each  $A_i$ .*

- (i) *If  $I$  is finite, then  $\text{Con}(\coprod A_i)$  is isomorphic to  $\coprod \text{Con}(A_i)$ .*
- (ii) *If each  $A_i$  is a pointed algebra, then  $\text{Con}(\Sigma A_i)$  is isomorphic to  $\coprod \text{Con}(A_i)$ .*

Obviously, a much more general theorem can be obtained. In particular, in any variety having Uniform Congruence Schemes the congruences are "productive." Fried, Grätzer and Quackenbush observed, essentially, this in the trivial halves of Theorems 3.5 and 5.2 of [6].

6. Final remarks. Clearly Theorem 1 is an immediate consequence of Theorems 2, 3, and 4.

The representation provided in Theorem 1 is type-3. If we also supposed  $L$  is modular, could we then have produced a type-2 representation in the proof of Theorem 1? Most likely, that is the case. Ideas as to how this might be done can be gleaned from Appendix 7 of the 2nd edition of [8].

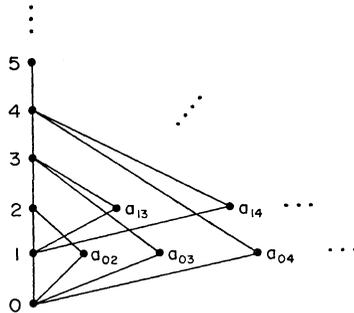
There is an asymmetry vis-à-vis  $\cdot$  in the representation provided in the proof of Theorem 3. Do there exist distributive algebraic lattices which can be represented as congruence lattices of groupoids but which have no representation as a congruence lattice of a commutative groupoid?

In [25] Walter Taylor provides a countable algebraic lattice that

is not the congruence lattice of any semigroup. One of course wonders if there is any countable algebraic lattice that is not the congruence lattice of a groupoid. It may even be the case that there is some algebra  $A$  of type  $\langle 2, 1 \rangle$  such that  $\text{Con } A$  is not isomorphic to the congruence lattice of any groupoid.

It can also be shown that Taylor's example is *not* the congruence lattice of any *unary algebra* having only finitely many operations. This we now proceed to do. We suppose the reader has some familiarity with Taylor's example.

$C$  is to be the semilattice of compact elements.



$C$  consists of the chain  $\omega$  ( $0 < 1 < 2 < 3 < \dots$ ) together with elements  $a_{ij}$  ( $0 \leq i < j - 1$ ) with  $i < a_{ij} < j$ . Now we let  $L$  be the ideal lattice of  $C$ .

**THEOREM 5.** *If  $L$  is isomorphic to  $\text{Con } A$  and  $A$  is a unary algebra, then  $A$  has infinitely many operations.*

*Proof.* Suppose on the contrary that  $L \cong \text{Con } A$  and  $A$  is a unary algebra having only finitely many operations. Note that in  $C$ , or in  $L$ , the filter (dual ideal) generated by  $n, [n)$ , is isomorphic to  $C$ , or  $L$ , as the case may be.

Thus, we may assume there is an element  $0 \in A$  such that  $f(0) = 0$  for each of the finitely many operations of  $A$ . That is, we may assume  $A$  is a pointed algebra.

By an abuse of notation, we will refer to the congruences of  $A$  by their preimages under the isomorphism, namely  $0, 1, a_{02}, a_{03}, a_{04}, \dots, 2, a_{13}, \dots$  etc. (Note  $0$  names both an element of  $A$  and a congruence of  $A$ . Context should make clear which is which.)

We may also assume, using the above fact about  $n \in \omega$ , that  $1 = \theta(0, x)$  for some  $x \in A$ . We see that  $\langle 0, x \rangle \in a_{02} \vee a_{03}$  and  $\langle 0, x \rangle \in a_{04} \vee a_{05}$ . So we have sequences  $0 = s_0, s_1, \dots, s_k = x$  and  $0 = r_0, r_1, \dots, r_m = x$  with  $s_i \equiv s_{i+1}$  under  $a_{02}$  or  $a_{03}$  and  $r_i \equiv r_{i+1}$  under  $a_{04}$  or  $a_{05}$ , for each possible  $i$ . We may suppose  $s_0 \neq s_1$  and  $r_0 \neq r_1$ . Let  $u = s_1$  and  $v = r_1$ . We have  $\theta(0, u) = a_{02}$  or  $a_{03}$  and  $\theta(0, v) = a_{04}$  or  $a_{05}$ .

*Case 1.*  $\theta(0, u) = a_{02}$  and  $\theta(0, v) = a_{04}$ .  $\theta(u, v)$  is compact, and thus, in  $C$ . Also  $a_{04} = \theta(0, v) \subseteq \theta(0, u) \vee \theta(u, v) = a_{02} \vee \theta(u, v)$ , and  $a_{02} = \theta(0, u) \subseteq \theta(0, v) \vee \theta(u, v) = a_{04} \vee \theta(u, v)$ , and  $\theta(u, v) \subseteq \theta(0, u) \vee \theta(0, v) = a_{02} \vee a_{04}$ . By inspecting  $C$ , we see that  $\theta(u, v)$  is either 4 or  $a_{14}$  or  $a_{24}$ . In any case  $\theta(u, v) \geq 1 = \theta(0, x)$ .

Since  $A$  is a unary algebra, every unary algebraic function of  $A$  is a unary term (unary polynomial) or a constant function. For any unary term  $t$ , we obviously have  $t(0) = 0$ . Now, since  $\langle 0, x \rangle \in \theta(u, v)$ , there are unary terms  $t_1, \dots, t_l$  such that  $0 \in \{t_1(u), t_1(v)\}$  and for  $1 \leq i < l$   $\{t_i(u), t_i(v)\} \cap \{t_{i+1}(u), t_{i+1}(v)\} \neq \emptyset$  and  $x \in \{t_l(u), t_l(v)\}$ . Since  $t_i$  is a term,  $t_i(0) = 0$ . Since  $x = t_l(u)$  or  $x = t_l(v)$ , we have  $\langle 0, x \rangle \in \theta(0, u)$  or  $\langle 0, x \rangle \in \theta(0, v)$ . So  $1 = \theta(0, x) \subseteq \theta(0, u) = a_{02}$  or  $1 = \theta(0, x) \subseteq \theta(0, v) = a_{04}$ . But 1,  $a_{02}$ ,  $a_{04}$  are distinct atoms.

The three remaining cases yield similar contradictions. So the initial contrary assumption is false. This ends the proof.

Consider Mal'tsev's lemma (Theorem 3, p. 54, [8]). The above proof actually shows that whenever  $L \cong \text{Con } A$ , the sequences of unary algebraic functions " $p_0, \dots, p_{n-1}$ " cannot all be sequences of unary terms (term functions). In other words, the above provides some "technical specifications" for any successful representation of  $L$  as  $\text{Con } A$ , where  $A$  is of finite type, even if  $A$  is nonunary.

Clearly, all of the above is true for a very "narrow" sublattice of  $L$ . Condition (\*) (see Part I) and Lemma 1 of Part I did not enter into the proof.

Ralph Freese has shown that this same  $L$  is not the congruence lattice of any groupoid possessing a two-sided identity element.

The conclusion of Lemma 1 of Part I is now called the term condition or T. C. (1, 1, 0). This condition has become quite important in a context quite unrelated to Part I. R. McKenzie coined the term after first seeing Lemma 1. The condition first appeared in Theorem 9 of H. Werner's paper [26]. McKenzie employed this condition in [18]. My first exposure to it occurred when McKenzie's paper was presented in our Hawaii seminar in 1976. This was six months before I proved Lemma 1. I had forgotten about the contents of [18] till Taylor's paper [25] reminded me in 1979. (This explains why this paragraph is in Part II instead of Part I, where it belongs.)

Although it is a fairly well-known theorem, in [17] I gave only some corollaries of the following

*Folklore Theorem.* If  $L$  is a distributive, algebraic, and dually algebraic lattice, then  $L$  is isomorphic to the congruence lattice of some groupoid.

*Proof.* Such an  $L$  is isomorphic to the lattice of nonempty hereditary subsets of some partially ordered set  $P$  having a least element  $0$ . Let  $A = \langle P, \cdot \rangle$  where  $x \cdot y = y$  if  $y \leq x$  and  $x \cdot y = 0$  otherwise. Each congruence has at most one nontrivial class and this class is a hereditary subset of  $P$ . The required isomorphism is obvious.

By generalizing Fact 2 of §5 appropriately, one can now show easily that if  $L$  is isomorphic to the product of a family of lattices each of which is either a pinched lattice, or the ideals of a distributive lattice, or a distributive, algebraic and dually algebraic lattice, then  $L$  can be represented as the congruence lattice of a groupoid. There is still a lot to be done. This does not even exhaust the class of distributive algebraic lattices.

We remind the reader of the problems listed in Part I (see [5]).

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