

INVERSE LIMITS OF A* - ALGEBRAS

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Abstract: The concept of A*-algebra is firstly introduced by Koteswara Rao. P in his thesis. For X, $\mathbf{3}^X$ is an A*-algebra, where $\mathbf{3} = \{0,1,2\}$. Every A*-algebra can be imbedded in $\mathbf{3}^X$ for some X. In this paper, we present the concept of A*-algebras, their properties, examples of A*-algebras and we introduce inverse system of A*-algebras, dual target, inverse limits of inverse system of A*-algebras and their existence and uniqueness.

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Introduction:

Definition: An algebra $(A, \wedge, *, (-)^\sim, (-)_{\pi}, 1)$ is an A*-algebra if it satisfies:

- (i) $a_{\pi} \vee (a_{\pi})^\sim = 1, (a_{\pi})_{\pi} = a_{\pi}$ where $a \vee b = (a^\sim \wedge b^\sim)^\sim$
- (ii) $a_{\pi} \vee b_{\pi} = b_{\pi} \vee a_{\pi}$
- (iii) $(a_{\pi} \vee b_{\pi}) \vee c_{\pi} = a_{\pi} \vee (b_{\pi} \vee c_{\pi})$
- (iv) $(a_{\pi} \wedge b_{\pi}) \vee (a_{\pi} \wedge (b_{\pi})^\sim) = a_{\pi}$
- (v) $(a \wedge b)_{\pi} = a_{\pi} \wedge b_{\pi}, (a \wedge b)^{\#} = a^{\#} \vee b^{\#}$ where $a^{\#} = (a_{\pi} \vee a^\sim_{\pi})^\sim$
- (vi) $a^\sim_{\pi} = (a_{\pi} \vee a^{\#})^\sim, a^{\#} = a^{\#}$
- (vii) $(a * b)_{\pi} = a_{\pi}, (a * b)^{\#} = (a_{\pi})^\sim \wedge (b^\sim_{\pi})^\sim$
- (viii) $a = b$ if and only if $a_{\pi} = b_{\pi}, a^{\#} = b^{\#}$.

We write 0 for $1^\sim, 2$ for $0 * 1$.

Example: $\mathbf{3} = \{0, 1, 2\}$ with the operations defined below is an A*- algebra.

\wedge	0	1	2	\vee	0	1	2	$*$	0	1	2	x	0	1	2
0	0	0	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	2	2	x	1	0	2
1	0	1	2	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	x_{π}	0	1	0
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	2	2	$x^{\#}$	0	0	1

Note: From 1(i) through 1(iv) and Huntington’s Theorem B(A) = { $a_{\pi} \mid a \in A$ } is a Boolean algebra with $\wedge, \vee, [(-)^\sim]^\sim, 0$ and $a \in B(A) \Rightarrow a_{\pi} = a$.

Since 1, 0, $(a_{\pi})^\sim \in B(A)$, we have $1_{\pi} = 1, 0_{\pi} = 0, (a_{\pi})_{\pi} = (a_{\pi})^\sim$ and $a_{\pi} \wedge a^{\#} = 0, a * 0 = a_{\pi}$.

Lemma: For any x, y, z in an A*- algebra

- (i) $x^{\sim\sim} = x$
- (ii) $(x \wedge y)^\sim_{\pi} = (x^\sim \wedge y)_{\pi} \vee (x \wedge y^\sim)_{\pi} \vee (x^\sim \wedge y^\sim)_{\pi}$
- (iii) $(x \vee y)_{\pi} = (x^\sim \wedge y)_{\pi} \vee (x \wedge y^\sim)_{\pi} \vee (x \wedge y)_{\pi}$
- (iv) $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$.

Lemma: For any x,y in A

- (i) $(x * y)^\sim_{\pi} = (x_{\pi})^\sim \wedge (y^\sim)_{\pi}$
- (ii) $x = x_{\pi} * (x^\sim)_{\pi} = (x_{\pi}) * x^{\#}$
- (iii) If $x = e * f$, where e, f $\in B(A)$, $e \wedge f = 0$, then $x_{\pi} = e, x^{\#} = f$.

Theorem: Every A*-algebra $(A, \wedge, *, (-)_{\pi}, (-)^\sim, 1)$ satisfies the following conditions:

For x, y, z in A

- (i) $x \wedge (y \wedge z) = (x \wedge y) \wedge z$
- (ii) $x \wedge y = y \wedge x$
- (iii) $x \wedge x = x$
- (iv) $1 \wedge x = x$
- (v) $x^{\sim\sim} = x$
- (vi) $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$ where $x \vee y = (x^\sim \wedge y^\sim)^\sim$
- (vii) $1_{\pi} = 1$
- (viii) $[(x_{\pi})^\sim]_{\pi} = (x_{\pi})^\sim$
- (ix) $(x \wedge y)_{\pi} = x_{\pi} \wedge y_{\pi}$
- (x) $(x \wedge x^\sim)_{\pi} = 0$ where $1^\sim = 0$

- (xi) $x_{\pi} \wedge (x_{\pi} \vee y_{\pi}) = x_{\pi}$
- (xii) $(x \wedge y)_{\pi} \sim = (x \wedge y_{\pi})_{\pi} \vee (x_{\pi} \wedge y)_{\pi} \vee (x_{\pi} \wedge y_{\pi})_{\pi}$
- (xiii) $(x_{\pi})_{\pi} = x_{\pi}$
- (xiv) $(x * y)_{\pi} = x_{\pi}$
- (xv) $(x * y)_{\pi} \sim = (x_{\pi})_{\pi} \sim \wedge (y_{\pi})_{\pi}$
- (xvi) $x = x_{\pi} * (x_{\pi})_{\pi} \sim$

Theorem: An algebra $(A, \wedge, *, (-)_{\pi}, (-)_{\pi}, 1)$ satisfying axioms of the above theorem is an A^* -algebra.

Proposition: In an A^* -algebra A , if $0 \neq 1$, then A has atleast 3 elements.

Proposition: If $(A, \wedge, *, (-)_{\pi}, (-)_{\pi}, 1)$ is an A^* -algebra and $a, b \in A$, then

- (i) $a_{\pi} = a$ if and only if $a^{\#} = 0$
- (ii) $a^{\#}_{\pi} = a^{\#}$
- (iii) $a^{\#}_{\pi} \sim = a^{\#}$
- (iv) $a^{\#}_{\pi} = 0$
- (v) $a_{\pi} \wedge a^{\#}_{\pi} = a_{\pi}$
- (vi) $a^{\#}_{\pi} \wedge a_{\pi} = a^{\#}_{\pi}$
- (vii) $(a^{\#}) \wedge a_{\pi} = a^{\#} \wedge a_{\pi} = 0$
- (viii) $(a_{\pi}) \sim \wedge a^{\#} = a^{\#}$
- (ix) $a_{\pi} \wedge (a_{\pi}) \sim = a_{\pi}$

Example: Let X be a nonempty set.

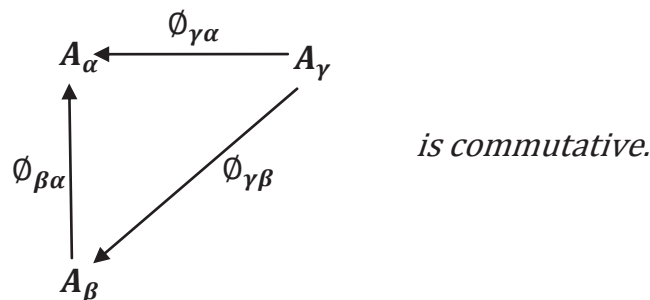
$T_X = \{(P, F) : P \subseteq X, F \subseteq X, P \cap F = \emptyset\}$. For $A, B \subseteq X$ denote intersection, union and complementation in the Boolean algebra $P(X)$ by $AB, A+B, A'$. Define $\wedge, \vee, (-)_{\pi}, (-)_{\pi}, 1$ on T_X by

- (i) $(P, F) \wedge (P_1, F_1) = (PP_1, PF_1+FF_1+FP_1)$
- (ii) $(P, F) \vee (P_1, F_1) = (PF_1+PP_1+FP_1, FF_1)$
- (iii) $(P, F) \sim = (F, P)$
- (iv) $1 = (X, \emptyset)$
- (v) $(P, F)_{\pi} = (P, P')$
- (vi) $(P, F) * (P_1, F_1) = (P, P'F_1)$

Then $(T_X, \wedge, \vee, \sim, \sim, 1)$ is an A^* -algebra.

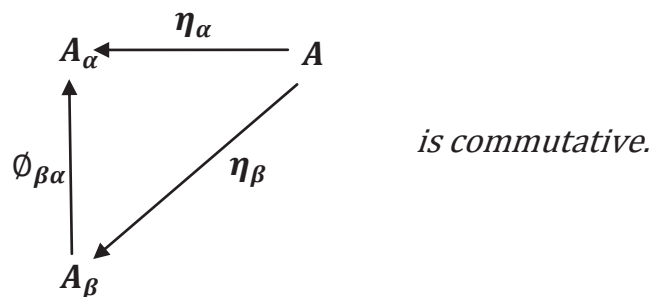
Definition: An inverse system of A^* -algebras is a family $\{A_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in I}$, where I is a preordered set, of A^* -algebras together with, for each α, β with $\alpha \leq \beta$, there is an A^* -homomorphism $\phi_{\beta\alpha}: A_{\beta} \rightarrow A_{\alpha}$ such that

- (1) $\phi_{\gamma\alpha} = \phi_{\beta\alpha} \phi_{\gamma\beta}$ if $\alpha \leq \beta \leq \gamma$ i.e., the diagram

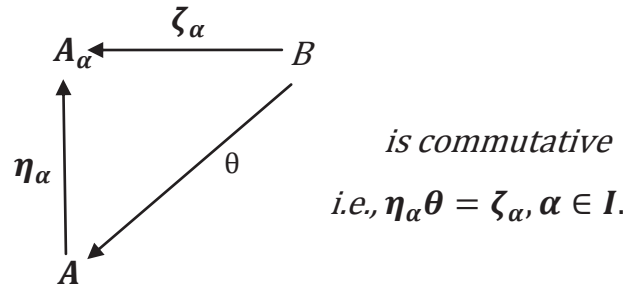


- (2) $\phi_{\alpha\alpha} = 1_{A_{\alpha}}$.

Definition: Given an inverse system $(A_{\alpha}, \phi_{\beta\alpha})_{\alpha \in I}$ with $\alpha \leq \beta$ of A^* -algebras. A dual target for the system is a set $(A, \eta_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in I}$, where A is an A^* -algebra and $\eta_{\alpha}: A \rightarrow A_{\alpha}$ such that $\phi_{\beta\alpha} \eta_{\beta} = \eta_{\alpha}$ for $\alpha \leq \beta$ i.e., the diagram



Definition: An inverse limit for the inverse system $(A_\alpha, \phi_{\beta\alpha})_{\alpha \in I}$ of A^* -algebras is a dual target $(A, \eta_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ satisfying the universal property:
 For any dual target $(B, \zeta_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ then there exists a unique A^* -homomorphism $\theta : B \rightarrow A$ such that $\eta_\alpha \theta = \zeta_\alpha$, $\alpha \in I$. We denote the inverse limit $(A, \eta_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ by $\varprojlim (A_\alpha, \phi_{\beta\alpha})$.



Note: We have the usual uniqueness upto isomorphism:

If $(A', \{\eta_{\alpha'}\})$ is a second inverse limit, then there exists a unique isomorphism $\theta : A' \rightarrow A$ such that $\eta_\alpha \theta = \eta_{\alpha'}$.

Theorem: Every inverse system of A^* -algebras has an inverse limit.

Proof: Suppose $\{A_\alpha, \phi_{\beta\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in I}$, $\alpha \leq \beta$ is an inverse system of A^* -algebras.

Define $A = \{a \in \prod_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha \mid p_\alpha(a) = \phi_{\beta\alpha} p_\beta(a), \alpha \leq \beta\}$.

Claim: A is a sub algebra of $\prod_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha$.

Consider $p_\alpha(0) = 0_\alpha = \phi_{\beta\alpha}(0_\beta) = \phi_{\beta\alpha} p_\beta(0)$ where $0 \in \prod_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha$.

Therefore $0 \in A$.

Therefore $A \neq \emptyset$.

Similarly $1, 2$ in $\prod_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha$ are in A .

Let $a^{(1)}, a^{(2)} \in A \Rightarrow a^{(1)}, a^{(2)} \in \prod_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha$

and $p_\alpha(a^{(1)}) = \phi_{\beta\alpha} p_\beta(a^{(1)})$ and

$$p_\alpha(a^{(2)}) = \phi_{\beta\alpha} p_\beta(a^{(2)}).$$

$$\begin{aligned} p_\alpha(a^{(1)} \wedge a^{(2)}) &= p_\alpha(a^{(1)}) \wedge p_\alpha(a^{(2)}) \\ &= \phi_{\beta\alpha} p_\beta(a^{(1)}) \wedge \phi_{\beta\alpha} p_\beta(a^{(2)}) \\ &= \phi_{\beta\alpha} p_\beta(a^{(1)} \wedge a^{(2)}). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $a^{(1)} \wedge a^{(2)} \in A$.

Similarly $a^{(1)} * a^{(2)} \in A$ and $a_\pi, a_\sim \in A$ for every $a \in A$.

Therefore A is a sub A^* -algebra of $\prod_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha$.

Define $\eta_\alpha = p_\alpha / A$.

Clearly $\eta_\alpha = \phi_{\beta\alpha} \eta_\beta$, $\alpha \leq \beta$.

Therefore $(A, \eta_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ is a dual target of $\{A_\alpha, \phi_{\beta\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in I}$, $\alpha \leq \beta$.

Suppose $(B, \zeta_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ is another dual target of $\{A_\alpha, \phi_{\beta\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in I}$

i.e., $\zeta_\alpha = \phi_{\beta\alpha} \zeta_\beta$.

Define $\theta' : B \rightarrow \prod_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha$ by $\theta'(b) = a$, where $a_\alpha = \zeta_\alpha(b)$.

$$p_\alpha(a) = a_\alpha = \zeta_\alpha(b) = \phi_{\beta\alpha} \zeta_\beta(b) = \phi_{\beta\alpha} (\zeta_\beta(b)) = \phi_{\beta\alpha} (a_\beta) = \phi_{\beta\alpha} p_\beta(a).$$

Therefore $a \in A$.

Therefore θ' defines a unique A^* -homomorphism $\theta : B \rightarrow A$ such that $\theta(b) = \theta'(b)$.

Now $\eta_\alpha \theta(b) = \eta_\alpha(\theta(b)) = p_\alpha(a) = a_\alpha = \zeta_\alpha(b) = (\phi_{\beta\alpha} p_\beta)(b)$

$$= \phi_{\beta\alpha} (p_\beta(b)) = \phi_{\beta\alpha} (\zeta_\beta(b)) = \phi_{\beta\alpha} (a_\beta) = a_\alpha = \zeta_\alpha(b).$$

Therefore $\eta_\alpha \theta = \zeta_\alpha$.

Therefore $(A, \eta_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ is an inverse limit of the inverse system $(A_\alpha, \phi_{\beta\alpha})_{\alpha \in I}$.

Theorem: If $\{\phi_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$ is a set of congruences on an A^* -algebra B . If $I = \{\alpha\}$ is pre-ordered as $\alpha \leq \beta$ if $\phi_\alpha \supset \phi_\beta$.

Then $\{A_\alpha, \phi_{\beta\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in I}$, where $A_\alpha = B/\phi_\alpha$, has an inverse limit $(A, \eta_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ and there is an A^* -homomorphism

$\theta : B \rightarrow A$ such that $\eta_\alpha \theta = \vartheta_\alpha$, where $\vartheta_\alpha : B \rightarrow A_\alpha$ is canonical epimorphism. If $\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} \phi_\alpha = 1_B$, then θ is a monomorphism.

Proof: Suppose B is an A^* -algebra. Suppose $\{\phi_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$ is a set of congruences on B . We preorder the set $I = \{\alpha\}$

by agreeing that $\alpha \leq \beta$ if $\phi_\alpha \supset \phi_\beta$. Put $A_\alpha = B/\phi_\alpha$. For $\alpha \leq \beta$ let $\phi_{\beta\alpha} : A_\beta \rightarrow A_\alpha$ is a homomorphism $\bar{b}_\beta \mapsto \bar{b}_\alpha$.

Then $\phi_{\alpha\alpha} = 1_{A_\alpha}$, $\phi_{\beta\alpha} \phi_{\gamma\beta} = \phi_{\gamma\alpha}$ if $\alpha \leq \beta \leq \gamma$. Then $\{A_\alpha, \phi_{\beta\alpha}\}$ is an inverse system of algebras. Therefore the

inverse limit $(A, \eta_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ of $\{A_\alpha, \phi_{\beta\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in I}$ exists.

Define $\vartheta_\alpha : B \rightarrow A_\alpha$ by $\vartheta_\alpha(b) = \bar{b}_\alpha$. ϑ_α is canonical epimorphism for every $\alpha \in I$.

Clearly $\vartheta_\beta \vartheta_\alpha = \vartheta_\alpha$ for $\alpha \leq \beta$. Therefore $\{B, \vartheta_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$ is a dual target for $\{A_\alpha, \vartheta_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$.

Then there exists a homomorphism $\theta : B \rightarrow A$ such that $\eta_\alpha \theta = \vartheta_\alpha$.

If $\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} \vartheta_\alpha = 1_B$, then $\theta : B \rightarrow A$ is a homomorphism.

For, let $b, c \in B \ni \theta(b) = \theta(c)$

$$\Rightarrow \eta_\alpha(\theta(b)) = \eta_\alpha(\theta(c)) \forall \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow (\eta_\alpha \theta)(b) = (\eta_\alpha \theta)(c) \forall \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \vartheta_\alpha(b) = \vartheta_\alpha(c) \forall \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{b}_\alpha = \bar{c}_\alpha \forall \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow (b, c) \in \theta_\alpha \forall \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow (b, c) \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} \vartheta_\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow (b, c) \in 1_B$$

$$\Rightarrow b = c.$$

Therefore $\theta(b) = \theta(c) \Rightarrow b = c$.

Therefore θ is a monomorphism.

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