

## Coherent ideals of 1-distributive lattices

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we study coherent ideals of pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattices. We give a set of conditions for an ideal to be a coherent ideal. We also prove some conditions for a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice to be weakly Stone lattice.

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### 1. Introduction and Background

J. C. Varlet [3] have studied the generalizations of the notion of pseudocomplementedness. W. H. Cornish [6] have studied congruences of pseudocomplemented distributive lattice and ideals of pseudocomplemented semilattices are studied by T. S. Blyth [2]. M. S. Rao [1] studies coherent ideals and median prime ideals for pseudocomplemented distributive lattices. In this article we generalize some of these results for pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattices.

**Definition 1.1.** A lattice  $L$  with 1 is called 1-distributive if for any  $p, q, r \in L$ ,  $p \vee q = 1 = p \vee r$  implies  $p \vee (q \wedge r) = 1$ .

The pentagonal lattice  $P_5$  (see the diagram in Figure 1) is 1-distributive but not distributive. Thus, not every 1-distributive lattice is a distributive lattice. The diamond lattice  $M_3$  (see the diagram in Figure 1) is not 1-distributive.

**Definition 1.2.** In a 1-distributive lattice  $L$  for all  $p \in L$

$$q \leq p^* \text{ if and only if } p \wedge q = 0,$$

then the element  $p^*$  is called the pseudocomplement of  $p$ .

**Definition 1.3.** Let  $L$  be a 1-distributive lattice.  $L$  is called a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice if every element in  $L$  has a pseudocomplement.

Now we discuss about some basic definitions and properties of pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattices.

**Definition 1.4.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and  $I$  be a non-empty subset of  $L$ .  $I$  is called an ideal if

(i)  $p \in L, q \in I$  with  $p \leq q$  implies  $p \in I$ ,

(ii)  $p, q \in I$  implies  $p \vee q \in I$ .

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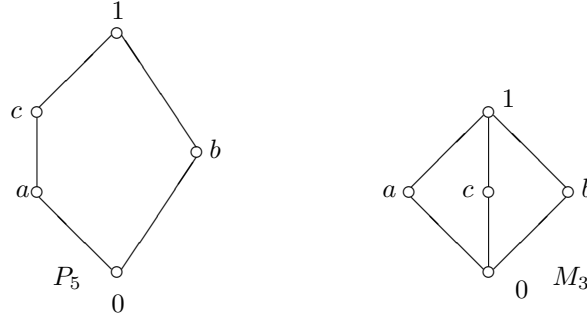


Figure 1: The pentagonal lattice and the diamond lattice

**Definition 1.5.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and  $I$  be an ideal of  $L$ ,  $I$  is called a proper ideal if  $I \neq L$ .

**Definition 1.6.** Let  $L$  be a 1-distributive lattice, a proper ideal  $I$  of  $L$  is called a minimal ideal if  $I$  is not belonging to any other proper ideal, that is, if there exists a proper ideal  $J$  of  $L$  such that  $J \subseteq I$ , then  $I = J$ .

**Definition 1.7.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and  $P$  be an ideal.  $P$  is called a prime ideal if for any  $a, b \in L$  with  $a \wedge b \in P$  implies that  $a \in P$  or  $b \in P$ .

**Definition 1.8.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and  $I$  be an ideal of  $L$ . Then  $I$  is said to be a  $*$ -ideal if  $x^{**} \in I$  for every  $x \in I$ .

**Definition 1.9.** Let  $L$  be a 1-distributive lattice, an element  $a \in L$  is called dense if  $a^* = 0$ . The set of all dense elements is denoted by  $D(L)$ .

The following well known identities (see [2, 4–6]) are used throughout this paper.

- (1)  $a \leq b$  implies  $b^* \leq a^*$ .
- (2)  $a \leq a^{**}$
- (3)  $a = a^{***}$
- (4)  $(a \vee b)^* = a^* \wedge b^*$
- (5)  $(a \wedge b)^{**} = a^{**} \wedge b^{**}$
- (6)  $a \wedge (a \wedge b)^* = a \wedge b^*$ .

The identity (6) is used rarely (see [2] for semilattices and see [7] for lattices). For the background of 1-distributive lattices, we refer the reader to [8, 9].

In Section 2, we give the definition of coherent ideal of a 1-distributive lattice. We prove some conditions for an ideal to be a coherent ideal. We discuss about Stone lattices and weakly Stone lattices. We prove some conditions for pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice to be weakly Stone lattice.

## 2. Main Results

Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and  $A$  be any non-empty subset of  $L$ . We define the following set:

$$A^\tau = \{x \in L \mid a^* \vee x^* = 1 \text{ for all } a \in A\}.$$

From the definition it can be easily said that,  $\{0\}^\tau = L$  and  $L^\tau = \{0\}$ .

M. Sambasiva Rao (see [1]) proved that  $A^\tau$  is an ideal for distributive pseudocomplemented lattice. We see that this theorem is also true for  $P_5$  (see Figure 1), which is not distributive. So we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and  $A$  be any non-empty subset of  $L$ . Then  $A^\tau$  is an ideal of  $L$ .*

**Proof.** Clearly  $0 \in A^\tau$ . Let  $x, y \in A^\tau$ . Then  $x^* \vee a^* = 1$  and  $y^* \vee a^* = 1$  for all  $a \in A$ . As  $L$  is a 1-distributive lattice, we have  $a^* \vee (x^* \wedge y^*) = 1$ . Thus  $a^* \vee (x \vee y)^* = 1$  and so  $x \vee y \in A^\tau$ .

Now let  $y \in L$  and  $x \in A^\tau$  with  $y \leq x$ . Then  $x^* \leq y^*$  and hence  $1 = x^* \vee a^* \leq y^* \vee a^*$ . So  $y \in A^\tau$  and  $A^\tau$  is an ideal. ■

**Remark 2.2.** *If  $A \cap A^\tau \neq \phi$  then  $A \cap A^\tau = \{0\}$ . Because if,  $t \in A \cap A^\tau$  then  $t^* \vee t^* = 1$ . This implies  $t = 0$  and so  $A \cap A^\tau = \{0\}$ .*

Now we have the following identities.

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be any two non-empty subsets of a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice. Then*

- (i)  $A \subseteq B$  implies that  $B^\tau \subseteq A^\tau$ ;
- (ii)  $A \subseteq A^{\tau\tau}$ ;
- (iii)  $A^\tau = A^{\tau\tau\tau}$ ;
- (iv)  $A^\tau = L$  if and only if  $A = \{0\}$ .

**Proof.** (i) Let  $A \subseteq B$  and let  $x \in B^\tau$ . Then  $x^* \vee b^* = 1$  for all  $b \in B$ . Since  $A \subseteq B$ , this implies  $x^* \vee a^* = 1$  for all  $a \in A$  and hence  $x \in A^\tau$ .

(ii) Let  $x \in A$ . Then if,  $a \in A^\tau$  we have  $x^* \vee a^* = 1$ . So  $x \in A^{\tau\tau}$ .

(iii) From (ii), we can write  $A^\tau \subseteq A^{\tau\tau\tau}$ . Let  $t \in A^{\tau\tau\tau}$ . Then  $t^* \vee a^* = 1$  for all  $a \in A^{\tau\tau}$  and this implies  $t \in A^\tau$ .

(iv) Let  $A^\tau = L$  and  $x \in A^\tau$ . This implies  $x^* \vee a^* = 1$  for all  $a \in A$ . This implies  $a^* = 1$  for all  $a \in A$ . So  $A = \{0\}$ . The reverse inclusion is obvious. ■

Now we have this following theorem.

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice,  $I$  and  $J$  be any two ideals of  $L$ . Then  $(I \vee J)^\tau = I^\tau \cap J^\tau$ .*

**Proof.** Clearly  $(I \vee J)^\tau \subseteq I^\tau \cap J^\tau$ . To prove  $I^\tau \cap J^\tau \subseteq (I \vee J)^\tau$ , let  $x \in I^\tau \cap J^\tau$  and let  $t \in I \vee J$ . Then  $x^* \vee i^* = 1 = x^* \vee j^*$  and  $t \leq i \vee j$  for some  $i \in I$  and  $j \in J$ . As  $L$  is 1-distributive, we have  $x^* \vee (i^* \wedge j^*) = 1$  and this implies  $x^* \vee (i \vee j)^* = 1$ . Since  $t \leq i \vee j$  implies  $(i \vee j)^* \leq t^*$ , we have  $x^* \vee t^* = 1$ . Hence  $x \in (I \vee J)^\tau$ . This completes the proof. ■

Now we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 2.5.** *Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and let  $a, b \in L$ , then we have*

- (i)  $a \leq b$  implies that  $(b)^\tau \subseteq (a)^\tau$ ;
- (ii)  $(a \vee b)^\tau = (a)^\tau \cap (b)^\tau$ ;
- (iii)  $(a)^\tau = L$  if and only if  $a = 0$ ;
- (iv)  $a \in (b)^\tau$  implies  $a \wedge b = 0$ ;

(v)  $a^* = b^*$  implies  $(a)^\tau = (b)^\tau$ ;

(vi)  $a \in D(L)$  implies  $(a)^\tau = \{0\}$ .

**Definition 2.6.** Let  $L$  be an pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice. An element  $a \in L$  is called closed if  $a = a^{**}$ . The set of all closed elements of  $L$  is denoted by  $B(L)$ . Thus

$$B(L) = \{a \in L \mid a = a^{**}\}.$$

Clearly,  $0, 1 \in B(L)$ .

**Definition 2.7.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice, an element  $a \in L$  is said to be a Stone element if it satisfies the Stone identity:

$$a^* \vee a^{**} = 1$$

The set of all Stone elements of  $L$  is denoted by  $S(L)$ . Thus

$$S(L) = \{a \in L \mid a^* \vee a^{**} = 1\}.$$

**Definition 2.8.** A pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice  $L$  is called Stone lattice if  $a^* \vee a^{**} = 1$  for all  $a \in L$ .

**Definition 2.9.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and  $A$  be any non-empty subset of  $L$ . Define

$$A^\perp = \{x \in L \mid x \wedge a = 0 \text{ for all } a \in A\}.$$

The set  $A^\perp$  is called the annihilator of  $A$ . If  $a \in A$  then the annihilator of  $\{a\}$  is denoted by  $a^\perp$  and defined as

$$a^\perp = \{x \in L \mid x \wedge a = 0\}$$

Now we have the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.10.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice. Then  $A^\perp$  is an ideal of  $L$  for any non-empty subset  $A$  of  $L$ .

**Proof.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and  $A \subseteq L$ . Then  $A^\perp = \{x \in L \mid x \wedge a = 0 \text{ for all } a \in A\}$  is the annihilator of  $A$ .

Let  $p, q \in A^\perp$ . So  $p \wedge a = 0$  and  $q \wedge a = 0$  for all  $a \in A$ . This implies  $p \leq a^*$  and  $q \leq a^*$  and thus  $p \vee q \leq a^*$ . So  $(p \vee q) \wedge a = 0$  and thus  $p \vee q \in A^\perp$ . Again let  $p \in A^\perp$  and  $t \in L$  with  $t \leq p$ . Thus  $t \wedge a \leq p \wedge a = 0$  implies  $t \in A^\perp$ . ■

**Definition 2.11.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and  $I$  is an ideal of  $L$ . Then  $I$  is called annihilator ideal if  $I = A^\perp$ , for any nonempty subset  $A$  of  $L$ .

Now we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.12.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice,  $I$  be an ideal of  $L$  such that  $I = A^\perp$  where  $A^\perp$  is annihilator of  $A \subseteq L$ . Then

(i) for any ideal  $J$  of  $L$ ,  $I \cap J = \{0\}$  if and only if  $J \subseteq I^\perp$ ;

(ii)  $I \cap I^\perp = \{0\}$ ;

(iii) for any ideal  $J$  of  $L$ ,  $J \subseteq I$  implies  $I^\perp \subseteq J^\perp$ ;

(iv)  $I = I^{\perp\perp}$ .

**Proof.** (i) Let  $I \cap J = \{0\}$  and  $b \in J$ . Then  $b \wedge a = 0$  for all  $a \in I$ . This implies  $b \in I^\perp$ . So  $J \subseteq I^\perp$ . Conversely let  $J \subseteq I^\perp$  and let  $t \in I^\perp$ . Thus  $t \wedge i = 0$  for all  $i \in I$ . So  $j \wedge i = 0$  for all  $j \in J$ . So  $I \cap J = \{0\}$ .

(ii) Let  $t \in I \cap I^\perp$ . This implies  $t \in I$  and  $t \wedge i = 0$  for all  $i \in I$ . Hence  $t = 0$ .

(iii) Let  $J \subseteq I$  and let  $t \in I^\perp$ . This implies  $t \wedge i = 0$  for all  $i \in I$  and thus  $t \wedge j = 0$  for all  $j \in J$ . Thus  $t \in J^\perp$ .

(iv) Using condition (i) and (ii),  $A \subseteq A^{\perp\perp}$ . Then by (iii),  $A^{\perp\perp\perp} \subseteq A^\perp$ . Again by (ii),  $A^\perp \cap A^{\perp\perp} = \{0\}$  and by (i)  $A^\perp \subseteq A^{\perp\perp\perp}$ . So  $A^\perp = A^{\perp\perp\perp}$ . Thus  $I = I^{\perp\perp}$ . ■

Now we have the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.13.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and  $I$  and  $J$  are two annihilator ideals of  $L$ . Then  $I \vee J = (I^\perp \cap J^\perp)^\perp$ .

**Proof.** Obviously  $(I^\perp \cap J^\perp) \subseteq J^\perp$  and  $(I^\perp \cap J^\perp) \subseteq I^\perp$ . Then by Theorem 2.12,  $I = I^{\perp\perp} \subseteq (I^\perp \cap J^\perp)^\perp$  and  $J = J^{\perp\perp} \subseteq (I^\perp \cap J^\perp)^\perp$ . Hence  $I \vee J \subseteq (I^\perp \cap J^\perp)^\perp$ .

Now let  $K$  be another annihilator ideal of  $L$  containing  $I$  and  $J$ . Then we have by Theorem 2.12,  $K^\perp \subseteq I^\perp$  and  $K^\perp \subseteq J^\perp$ . So  $(I^\perp \cap J^\perp)^\perp \subseteq K^{\perp\perp} = K$ . Thus  $(I^\perp \cap J^\perp)^\perp$  is the smallest annihilator ideal of  $L$  containing  $I$  and  $J$ . So  $I \vee J = (I^\perp \cap J^\perp)^\perp$ . ■

Now we have this nice result.

**Theorem 2.14.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and let  $a, b \in L$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent in  $L$ :

(i)  $L$  is Stone lattice;

(ii) for any ideal  $I$  of  $L$ ,  $I^\tau = I^\perp$ ;

(iii) for  $a \in L$ ,  $(a)^\tau = a^\perp$ ;

(iv) for any two ideals  $I, J$  of  $L$ ,  $I \cap J = \{0\}$  if and only if  $I \subseteq J^\tau$ ;

(v) for  $a, b \in L$ ,  $a \wedge b = 0$  implies  $a^* \vee b^* = 1$ ;

(vi) for  $a \in L$ ,  $(a)^{\tau\tau} = (a^*)^\tau$ .

**Proof.** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii): Let  $I$  be an ideal of a Stone lattice  $L$ . Clearly  $I^\tau \subseteq I^\perp$ . To prove the converse part, let  $x \in I^\perp$ . Then  $x \wedge y = 0$  for all  $y \in I$ . So we have  $x \leq y^*$  and thus  $x^{**} \leq y^{***} = y^*$ . Since  $L$  is Stone lattice, we have  $1 = x^* \vee x^{**}$  and as  $x^* \vee x^{**} \leq x^* \vee y^*$ , we get  $1 \leq x^* \vee y^*$ . Hence  $x \in I^\tau$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii): It is obvious.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv): It is obvious by Theorem 2.12.

(iv)  $\Rightarrow$  (v): Let  $a, b \in L$  with  $a \wedge b = 0$ . This implies  $(a) \cap (b) = \{0\}$  and so  $(a) \subseteq (b)^\tau$ . Hence  $a \in (b)^\tau$  and  $a^* \vee b^* = 1$ .

(v)  $\Rightarrow$  (vi): Let  $a \in L$ . Since  $a \wedge a^* = 0$ , we have  $a^* \vee a^{**} = 1$ . So  $a^* \in (a)^\tau$ . Hence  $(a)^{\tau\tau} \subseteq (a^*)^\tau$ . Conversely let  $x \in (a^*)^\tau$  and  $t \in (a)^\tau$ . Now  $t \in (a)^\tau$  implies  $t^* \vee a^* = 1$  and  $a^{**} \wedge t^{**} = 0$  and so  $t^{**} \leq a^*$ .

Therefore we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & x \in (a^*)^\tau \\
 \Rightarrow & x^* \vee a^{**} = 1 \\
 \Rightarrow & x^{**} \wedge a^* = 0 \\
 \Rightarrow & x^{**} \wedge t^{**} = 0 \\
 \Rightarrow & t \wedge x = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus from condition (v), we have  $t^* \vee x^* = 1$  for all  $t \in (a)^\tau$ . Hence  $x \in (a)^{\tau\tau}$ .

(vi)  $\Rightarrow$  (i): Let  $a \in L$ . Since  $(a)^{\tau\tau} = (a^*)^\tau$  and  $a \in (a)^{\tau\tau}$ , we have  $a^* \vee a^{**} = 1$ . This completes the proof. ■

Now we give the definition of coherent ideal of a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice.

**Definition 2.15.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and  $I$  be an ideal of  $L$ . Then  $I$  is called a coherent ideal, if for all  $x, y \in L$ ,  $(x^\tau) = (y)^\tau$  and  $x \in I$  implies that  $y \in I$ .

It is quiet easy to prove that  $(x)^\tau$  is a coherent ideal for all  $x \in L$ .

**Lemma 2.16.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and  $I$  be an ideal of  $L$ , then  $I$  is a coherent ideal if for any  $x \in I$ ,  $(x)^{\tau\tau} \subseteq I$ .

**Proof.** From theorem 2.14,  $(x)^{\tau\tau} = (x^*)^\tau$ . If  $x \in I$  and  $a \in (x)^{\tau\tau} = (x^*)^\tau$ , we have  $a \leq a^{**} \leq x^{**} \in I$ . Hence  $(x)^{\tau\tau} \subseteq I$ . ■

Now we have the following result.

**Theorem 2.17.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice, then the following conditions are equivalent in  $L$ :

- (i)  $L$  is Boolean lattice;
- (ii) every principle ideal is a coherent ideal;
- (iii) every ideal is a coherent ideal;
- (iv) every prime ideal is a coherent ideal;
- (v) for  $a, b \in L$ ,  $(a)^\tau = (b)^\tau$  implies  $a = b$ ;
- (vi) for  $a, b \in L$ ,  $a^* = b^*$  implies  $a = b$ .

**Proof.** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii): Suppose  $L$  is Boolean. This implies every element  $x \in L$  is closed, that is  $x = x^{**}$ . Let  $(x]$  be a principal ideal and let  $a, b \in L$  with  $(a)^\tau = (b)^\tau$ . Let  $a \in (x]$ . We have to prove that  $b \in (x]$ . Now  $a \vee a^* = 1$  implies that  $x \vee a^* = 1$  since  $a \in (x]$ . This implies  $a^* \vee x^{**} = 1$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 & a^* \vee x^{**} = 1 \\
 \Rightarrow & x^* \in (a)^\tau = (b)^\tau \\
 \Rightarrow & b^* \vee x^{**} = 1 \\
 \Rightarrow & b^{**} \wedge x^* = 0 \\
 \Rightarrow & b^{**} \leq x^{**} \\
 \Rightarrow & b \leq x^{**}.
 \end{aligned}$$

So  $b \in (x^{**}) = (x]$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii): Let  $a, b \in L$  and  $I$  is an ideal. Also let  $a \in I$  and  $(a)^\tau = (b)^\tau$ . So  $(a] \subseteq I$ . By (ii),  $(a]$  is a coherent ideal for all  $a \in L$ , so we have  $b \in (a]$ . So  $b \in I$ .

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv): It is obvious.

(iv)  $\Rightarrow$  (v): Suppose (iv) holds. Let  $a, b \in L$  with  $(a)^\tau = (b)^\tau$ . If  $a \neq b$ , there exists a prime ideal  $P$  such that  $a \in P$  but  $b \notin P$ . But  $P$  is coherent, so we have  $b \in I$ , which is a contradiction. So  $a = b$ .

(v)  $\Rightarrow$  (vi): By corollary 2.5, this condition holds.

(vi)  $\Rightarrow$  (i): Let (vi) holds. So there exists unique complement for all  $x \in L$ . Hence (i) holds. ■

**Definition 2.18.** For any ideal  $I$  of a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice  $L$ , define  $\xi(I)$  as follows

$$\xi(I) = \{x \in L \mid (x)^\tau \vee I = L\}.$$

Now we have the following lemma which is very useful for studying coherent ideal.

**Lemma 2.19.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and  $I, J, K$  be ideals of  $L$ . If  $I \vee J = L$  and  $I \vee K = L$ , then  $I \vee (J \cap K) = L$ .

**Proof.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and let  $I, J, K$  be ideals of  $L$ . Consider  $I \vee J = L$  and  $I \vee K = L$ . So  $i_1 \vee j_1 = 1$  for some  $i_1 \in I$  and  $j_1 \in J$  and  $i_2 \vee k_1 = 1$  for some  $i_2 \in I$  and  $k_1 \in K$ . This implies

$$i_1 \vee i_2 \vee j_1 = 1 \text{ and } i_1 \vee i_2 \vee k_1 = 1.$$

As  $L$  is 1-distributive we have  $(i_1 \vee i_2) \vee (j_1 \wedge k_1) = 1$  where  $i_1 \vee i_2 \in I$  and  $j_1 \wedge k_1 \in J \cap K$  ( Since  $j_1 \wedge k_1 \leq j_1 \in J$  and  $j_1 \wedge k_1 \leq k_1 \in K$ ). This implies  $(i_1 \vee i_2) \vee (j_1 \wedge k_1) \in I \vee (J \cap K)$ . So  $1 \in I \vee (J \cap K)$  and thus  $I \vee (J \cap K) = L$ . ■

Now we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.20.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and  $I$  be an ideal of  $L$ . Then  $\xi(I) = \{x \in L \mid (x)^\tau \vee I = L\}$  is an ideal.

**Proof.** Obviously  $0 \in \xi(I)$ . Let  $a, b \in \xi(I)$ . This implies  $(a)^\tau \vee I = L$  and  $(b)^\tau \vee I = L$ . Then from Lemma 2.4 and Lemma 2.19, we have  $(a \vee b)^\tau \vee I = ((a)^\tau \cap (b)^\tau) \vee I = L$ . So  $a \vee b \in \xi(I)$ .

Now consider,  $a \in \xi(I)$  with  $b \leq a$  for  $a, b \in L$ . So  $((a)^\tau \vee I) = L$ . Then by 2.5, we have  $(a)^\tau \subseteq (b)^\tau$  and so  $((a)^\tau \vee I) \subseteq ((b)^\tau \vee I) = L$ . So  $b \in \xi(I)$ . This completes the proof. ■

Observe that, if we consider  $I = (a]$  in  $P_5$ (see Figure 1), we have  $\xi(I) = (b]$ , which is not a subset of  $(a]$ . Now we have the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.21.** For any \*-ideal  $I$  of a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice  $L$ ,  $\xi(I) \subseteq I$ .

**Proof.** Let  $x \in \xi(I)$ . Then  $x \leq a \vee b$  for any  $a \in (x)^\tau$  and  $b \in I$ . Since  $a \in (x)^\tau$ , we get  $x \wedge a = 0$ . Also  $b \in I$  implies  $x \wedge b \in I$ . Now  $x \leq a \vee b$  implies  $x = x \wedge (a \vee b)$ . So  $x^{**} = x^{**} \wedge (a \vee b)^{**} = x^{**} \wedge (a^* \wedge b^*)^*$ . Since  $x \wedge a = 0$  implies  $a^* \geq x^{**}$ , we have  $(a^* \wedge b^*)^* \leq (x^{**} \wedge b^*)^*$ . Therefore  $x^{**} \leq x^{**} \wedge (x^{**} \wedge b^*)^*$ . Thus  $x^{**} \leq x^{**} \wedge b^{**}$  since  $a \wedge (a \wedge b)^* = a \wedge b^*$ . Now  $x \wedge b \in I$  and  $I$  is \*-ideal, so this implies  $x^{**} \leq (x \wedge b)^{**} \in I$ . Hence  $x \in I$  and consequently  $\xi(I) \subseteq I$ . ■

**Definition 2.22.** An ideal  $I$  of a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice  $L$  is called strongly coherent if  $I = \xi(I)$  and is called  $\tau$ -closed if  $I = I^{\tau\tau}$ .

Observe that,  $(c]$  in  $P_5$ (see Figure 1) is a strongly coherent ideal. Also observe that  $(0]$  is the smallest  $\tau$ -closed ideal and  $L$  is the largest  $\tau$ -closed ideal.

It is easy to prove that every strongly coherent ideal is a coherent ideal. Now we have the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.23.** *Every  $\tau$ -closed ideal of a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice  $L$  is a coherent ideal.*

**Proof.** Let  $I$  be a  $\tau$ -closed ideal of  $L$ . Let  $x, y \in L$  and  $(x)^\tau = (y)^\tau$ . Let  $x \in I$  and so  $(x)^{\tau\tau} \subseteq I^{\tau\tau}$ . Then from 2.3, we have  $y \in (y)^{\tau\tau} = (x)^{\tau\tau} \subseteq I^{\tau\tau} = I$ . Hence  $I$  is coherent. ■

**Definition 2.24.** *A pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice  $L$  is called weakly Stone if  $(x)^\tau \vee (x)^{\tau\tau} = L$  for all  $x \in L$ .*

**Theorem 2.25.** *Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive Stone lattice, then  $L$  is weakly Stone lattice.*

**Proof.** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice and let  $L$  is Stone. For all  $x \in L$ , we have  $x^* \vee x^{**} = 1$ . Then from Lemma 2.13 and Theorem 2.12,  $x^\perp \vee x^{\perp\perp} = (x^{\perp\perp} \cap x^{\perp\perp\perp})^\perp = (x^{\perp\perp} \cap x^\perp)^\perp = (0)^\perp = L$ . Now let  $a \in L$ . Then  $a = b \vee c$  for some  $b \in x^\perp$  and  $c \in x^{\perp\perp}$ . Now from theorem 2.14, we have  $x^\perp = (x)^\tau$ . This implies  $a \in (x)^\tau$  and  $c \wedge t = 0$  for  $t \in x^\perp = (x)^\tau$ . Thus from theorem 2.14, we have  $c \wedge t = 0$  implies  $c^* \vee t^* = 1$  for  $t \in (x)^\tau$ . So  $c \in (x)^{\tau\tau}$ . Hence we have  $a \in (x)^\tau \vee (x)^{\tau\tau}$  and so  $L \subseteq (x)^\tau \vee (x)^{\tau\tau}$ . This completes the proof. ■

M. S. Rao (see [1]) showed that the converse part of the above theorem is not true for distributive lattices and so it is not true for 1-distributive lattices also. We conclude this article with the following nice result.

**Theorem 2.26.** *Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented 1-distributive lattice. Then the following conditions are equivalent in  $L$ :*

- (i)  $L$  is a weakly Stone lattice;
- (ii) every  $\tau$ -closed ideal of  $L$  is strongly coherent;
- (iii) for each  $x \in L$ ,  $(x)^{\tau\tau}$  is strongly coherent.

**Proof.** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii): Consider  $L$  is weakly Stone lattice and  $I$  is a  $\tau$ -closed ideal of  $L$ . Then  $I^{\tau\tau} = I$ . Let  $x \in I$  and as  $x^{***} = x^*$ , we have  $x^{**} \in I^\tau$ . So  $I^\tau$  is p-ideal and by 2.20,  $\xi(I) \subseteq I$ .

Conversely let  $x \in I$ . Then using theorem 2.3, we can easily prove that  $(x)^{\tau\tau} \subseteq I^{\tau\tau}$ . This implies  $L = (x)^\tau \vee (x)^{\tau\tau} \subseteq (x)^\tau \vee I^{\tau\tau} = (x)^\tau \vee I$ . So  $x \in \xi(I)$ . Therefore  $I$  is strongly coherent ideal.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii): Since for  $x \in L$ ,  $(x)^{\tau\tau\tau} = (x)^\tau$  and so  $(x)^{\tau\tau}$  is always  $\tau$ -closed.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i): Let  $x \in L$ . Then from condition (iii),  $(x)^{\tau\tau}$  is strongly coherent and so  $\xi((x)^{\tau\tau}) = (x)^{\tau\tau}$ . Since  $x \in (x)^{\tau\tau} = \xi((x)^{\tau\tau})$ , we have  $(x)^\tau \vee (x)^{\tau\tau} = L$ . Thus (i) holds. ■

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