

First-order definability in the elementary type semigroup of superatomic Boolean algebras with distinguished subalgebra. *

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We consider Boolean algebras with distinguished subalgebra (S -algebras) in the signature $\langle \cup, \cap, \neg, 0, 1, S \rangle$, where S is an unary predicate distinguishing a subalgebra.

An S -algebra \mathbf{B} is called as ω -mixing of S -algebras $\mathbf{A}_1, \dots, \mathbf{A}_n$ if \mathbf{B} is isomorphic to the direct sum of S -algebras \mathbf{C}_m , $m \in N$, where for every m , $\mathbf{C}_m \cong \mathbf{A}_1 \times \dots \times \mathbf{A}_n$.

Let \mathbf{F} be the class of finite Boolean algebras with two-element subalgebras. Denote by \mathbf{D} a minimal class of S -algebras containing the class \mathbf{F} and closed under ω -mixing.

REMARK 1. Every S -algebra belonging to \mathbf{D} is superatomic.

The class \mathbf{D} of S -algebras was studied in [1].

Let $E \equiv \{\mathbf{A} \mid \mathbf{A} \in \mathbf{D}\} / \equiv$ be a set of elementary types of S -algebras from \mathbf{D} . Denote $\mathbf{E} \equiv (E, \times)$, where \times is a direct product: $[\mathbf{A}]_{\equiv} \times [\mathbf{B}]_{\equiv} = [\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}]_{\equiv}$.

REMARK 2. \mathbf{E} is a commutative semigroup having a unit. The unit of \mathbf{E} is an elementary class consisting of degenerate S -algebra in which $0 = 1$.

The semigroup of elementary types of Boolean algebras with distinguished ideals was investigated in [2], [3].

THEOREM. A property of being finitely axiomatizable S -algebra is first-order definable in the semigroup \mathbf{E} . It means that there exists a first-order formula $\varphi(x)$ of the language $\{\times, =\}$ such that for any S -algebra $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbf{D}$, $Th\mathbf{A}$ is finitely axiomatizable iff $\mathbf{E} \models \varphi([\mathbf{A}]_{\equiv})$.

QUESTION. Does the statement of Theorem hold true for semigroup of elementary types of all S -algebras?

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