### QUANTALOIDS AND SHEAVES ON RIGHT GELFAND QUANTALES

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### Abstract

A quantale is a semigroup in *SUP*. A right Gelfand quantale is a complete lattice equipped with an associative binary operation & (possibly non-commutative) which is idempotent, has right identity and distributes over arbitrary suprema on both sides. A quantaloid is a *SUP*-enriched category. In this paper we obtain a quantaloid from a right Gelfand quantale. We also discuss two approaches for introduction of concept of sheaf on a right Gelfand quantale Q. In both cases the construction coincides with the concept of sheaf in case Q is a locale.

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# INTRODUCTION

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As introduced in [4], a quantale is a semigroup in SUP the category of sup-lattices and sup-preserving maps. In other words, a quantale is a complete lattice equipped with an associative product which is distributive on both sides over arbitrary suprema. A right Gelfand quantale [3] is a complete lattice Q equipped with an associative binary operation (possibly non-commutative) & which is idempotent, has right identity and distributes over arbitrary suprema on both sides.

Let *A* be a unital *C*<sup>\*</sup> algebra, then the closed linear subspaces of *A* form a quantale where suprema of a family of closed linear subspaces is given by taking the closure of algebraic sum, and the product & of any two closed linear subspaces of *A* is given by taking the closure of their algebraic product. Let us write this quantale as *Max A*. Those elements of *Max A* on which the top element (of *Max A*) acts as a unit on the right, are exactly the closed right ideals of *A* and again form a quantale with respect to operations of *Max A*. For any closed right ideal *I* of *A*, we have *I* & *I* = *I*. Hence the closed right ideals of a *C*<sup>\*</sup>- algebra *A* form an idempotent quantale. In this quantale, the top element acts as unit from right. Hence the closed right ideals of a *C*<sup>\*</sup>- algebra *A* form a right Gelfand quantale. Similarly the lattice of closed left ideals of a *C*<sup>\*</sup> algebra is a quantale with respect to multiplication of left ideals; again the top element of the lattice is unit from left hand side.



A quantaloid [6] is a category whose hom-sets are sup-lattices in which composition distributes on both sides over arbitrary suprema of morphisms [7], thus a quantaloid is a *SUP*-enriched category. For any object *a* of a quantaloid, the hom-set *hom(a, a)* is a quantale [6], hence a quantaloid with one object is a quantale as well. Simplest example of quantaloid is the category *SUP*. The category of relations in a Grothendieck topos is also a quantaloid [7]. Given a ring *R* (possibly non-commutative) with unit, a quantaloid with two objects 0 and 1 may be defined as having following hom-sets; *hom (0, 0)* = additive subgroups of *R*, *hom (0, 1)* = sup-lattice of left ideals of R, *hom(1, 0)* = Sup-lattice of right ideals of R and *hom(1, 1)* = sup-lattice of two-sided ideals of R. The identity arrows on 1 and 0 are *R* and the center *Z(R)* of *R* respectively; details may be seen in [7, 8]. Another example of quantaloid is *Relations(H)* [12] for which objects are the elements of *H* and the hom-lattices are given by *hom (u, v)* = {  $w \in H/w \le u \land v$ } where *H* is a locale.

We begin the paper with definition of right Gelfand quantale.

#### **Right Gelfand Quantales**

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> A right Gelfand quantale [3] is a complete lattice Q equipped with a binary operation (possibly noncommutative) &:  $Q \times Q \rightarrow Q$  satisfying

i.  $p \& V_{I} q_{i} = V_{I} (p \& q_{i})$ ,  $(V_{I} q_{i}) \& p = V_{I} (q_{i} \& p)$ ii. (p & q) & r = p & (q & r)iii. p & p = piv. p & I = p

where 1 is the top element of Q.

From this definition, it is clear that  $p \& q \le p$  and p & q & r = p & r & q for all p, q,  $r \in Q$ .

**Proposition**: For a right Gelfand quantale Q and  $p, q, r \in Q$ ,

$r \leq p \& q \Rightarrow$	> r=r&a	9
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 $r \le p \& q \implies r \le 1 \& q$ 

Proof:

Therefore  $r \leq r \& q$  because of idempotency

But  $r \& q \le r$ , hence r = r & q.

From a right Gelfand quantale Q we obtain a category  $\vartheta$  as follows.

Ob  $\vartheta$ : Elements of Q.

 $\vartheta(p,q): \{r \in Q \mid r \le p \& q, r = p \& r\}$ 

The identity arrow of  $\vartheta(p, p)$  is p itself, we denote it by  $I_p$ .

Composition: For  $p, q, r \in Q$ 

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} \vartheta \left( p,q \right) \times \vartheta \left( q,r \right) & \stackrel{C\left( p,q,r \right)}{\longrightarrow} & \vartheta \left( p,r \right) \\ (u,v) & \mapsto & u \& v \end{array}$$

Left identity for this composition is consequence of the condition

 $r \le p \& q$ , r = p & r imposed on the elements of  $\vartheta(p, q)$  and the right identity follows from the fact that  $r \le p \& q \implies r = r \& q$ , that is, the following diagrams commute.



**Proposition**: The category 9 obtained above is a quantaloid.

Proof: It only remains to prove that  $\vartheta(p, q)$  is a sup-lattice for all  $p, q \in Q$ .

Let  $\{s \in Q \mid s \le p \& q, s = p \& s\}$  be a sub-family of  $\vartheta(p, q)$  then

 $Vs \le p \& q$ . Also  $s = p \& s \Longrightarrow Vs = V (p \& s) = p \& Vs$ .

Therefore  $\vartheta(p, q)$  is a (complete) sup-lattice. Hence  $\vartheta(p, q)$  is a quantaloid.

#### Sheaves

A poset (partially ordered set) may be considered as a category. Hence  $\vartheta(p, q)$  is a category for every

pair p,  $q \in Q$ . This makes  $\vartheta$  a bicategory [1] in which

Objects: Elements of Q.

Arrows: Elements  $r \in Q$  such that  $r \le p \& q, r = p \& r$ 

2-Cells: order in Q.

Composition of 2-cells is given as follows

$$\vartheta (p,q) \times \vartheta (q,r) \xrightarrow{C (p,q,r)} \vartheta (p,r)$$
$$(u \le u', v \le v') \mapsto u \& v \le u' \& v'$$

Diagrammatically, this requires that





 $I_{\vartheta(p, q)} \times C(q, r, s)$ 

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Theory of categories enriched in a bicategory is being intensively studied these days [7-11]. Since 9 is

a bicategory, we define a 9-category as:

A9<u>category</u> is a set X together with functions

 $e: X \to Ob(\vartheta)$ 

$$d: X \times X \rightarrow Mor(\vartheta)$$

satisfying

i.	$d(x_1, x_2): e(x_1) \to e(x_2)$
ii.	$I_{e(x)} \leq d(x, x)$
iii.	$d(x_2, x_3) \circ d(x_1, x_2) \leq d(x_1, x_3)$
A 9 <u>-functor</u>	$F: X \rightarrow Y$ is a function satisfying
i.	$e\left(F\left(x\right)\right)=e\left(x\right)$

ii.  $d(x_1, x_2) \le d(F(x_1), F(x_2))$  for all  $x_1, x_2 \in X$ .

Further, notions of presheaf and sheaf on Q may be introduced as follows [3]

#### Sheaves on Q

A presheaf on Q is a set A together with mappings

$$E: A \to Q, \ i: Q \times A \to A$$

satisfying

i.  $(E a) \downarrow a = a$ ii.  $P \downarrow (q \downarrow a) = (p \& q) \downarrow a$ iii.  $E (p \downarrow a) = p \& Ea.$ 

A morphism of presheaves is a mapping  $f: A \rightarrow B$  satisfying



i. Ea = Ef(a)

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ii.  $f(p \mid a) = p \mid f(a)$ .

*E* and  $\downarrow$  induce a partial order  $\prec$  on underlying set of a presheaf *A* given by

 $a \prec a' \Leftrightarrow Ea \leq Ea' \text{ and } a = Ea \downarrow a'.$ 

A presheaf *A* is a <u>sheaf</u> if every compatible family has a unique join where

 $B \subseteq A$  is compatible if  $Eb \downarrow b' = Eb \& E b' \downarrow b$  for all  $b, b' \in B$ .

It can be shown that the category of sheaves on Q and the category of  $\vartheta$ -categories (satisfying certain conditions) are isomorphic. Details will appear elsewhere [5].

#### Another approach for sheaf on Q

We now discuss another approach for introduction of notion of sheaf on a Gelfand quantale due to Francis Borceux [2]. Both notions (the one given above and the one which follows) reduce to the concept of sheaf on a locale in familiar fashion in case Q happens to be a locale.

We note that the assignment  $\downarrow : Q \longrightarrow SET$ , given by

$$p \longmapsto \downarrow p = \{u / u \le p\}$$
 (on objects)  
$$p \le q \longmapsto \downarrow q \longrightarrow \downarrow p; u \longmapsto p \& u$$
 (on morphisms)

is not functorial because for p = q and  $u \le p$ , we may not have  $p \And u = u$  in general. Thus the identity morphisms in  $\mathbf{Q}$  are not preserved. In order to make this assignment functorial, we add a new morphism  $\underline{p} \quad \rho \quad \mathbf{q}$  whenever  $p \le q$  and for  $u \le q$  it is the case that  $u \And p \le p$ . This makes

$$\downarrow q \longrightarrow \downarrow p; u \longmapsto u \& p$$
 (on morphisms) well defined.

Further, morphism  $\rho$  always exists from p to p because for  $u \leq p$  we always have

u &  $p \le p$  and also u = u & p (u &  $p \le u$ , also  $u \le p$  gives  $u \le u$  & p).

Thus we obtain a category  $\zeta$  whose objects are the elements of Q, morphisms are as defined above.

Now compositions may be defined in the following way for which  $p \rho p$  works as identity morphism.

p	ρ_q	λ	→ <sup>r</sup> =	<u>p</u> λ	→ <sup>r</sup>
<u>p</u>	$\lambda \rightarrow q$	ρ	→ r =	<u>p λ</u>	→ <sup>r</sup>
p		ρ	r =	<u>p</u> _ρ	→ <sup>r</sup>
p	λ q	λ	→ r =	pλ	→ <sup>r</sup>

Further for any  $p \in \mathbf{Q}$  we require that



$$p \lambda p = p \rho p$$

if and only if p & r = r for all r  $\leq$  p. We can then define a Grothendieck topology J on  $\zeta$  as

$$R \in J(p) \iff p = V\{q \in \mathbf{Q} \mid (q \quad \rho \quad p) \in R\}.$$

A sheaf on **Q** in the sense of [2] is a sheaf on the site  $(J, \zeta)$ .

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