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## Definition

Let X be a partially ordered set. X is called a *lattice* if the supremum  $(x \lor y)$  and infimum  $(x \land y)$  exist for every pair of elements x and y in X.

#### Definition

Let V be a real vector space. V is an ordered vector space if V is partially ordered in such a way that the vector space structure and order structure are compatible. That is, for every x, y,  $z \in V$  and  $\lambda \ge 0$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ ,

1 
$$x \le y$$
 implies  $x + z \le y + z$ , and

**2**  $x \ge 0$  implies  $\lambda x \ge 0$  in *V*.



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#### Definition

A *Riesz space* (also called a *vector lattice*) is an ordered vector space that is also a lattice with respect to the partial ordering.





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#### Examples

- $V = \{f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is a polynomial}\}$  is an ordered vector space.
- A function  $p : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  is said to be a *piecewise polynomial* if there are  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $t_1, \dots, t_n \in (-\infty, \infty)$  such that  $t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n$  and p is a polynomial function on  $(-\infty, t_1]$ ,  $[t_n, \infty)$  and  $[t_i, t_{i+1}]$  for each  $i = 2, \dots, n-1$ .
- $PP(\mathbb{R})$  is a Riesz space.



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- C(X) is the set of real-valued continuous functions on a topological space X, e.g., C[0, 1].
- c(N) is the set of all convergent sequences.
- $c_0(N)$  is the set of all sequences convergent to zero.



## **Riesz Subspaces**

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Riesz Subspaces

#### Definitions

**1** The linear subspace V of E is called a *Riesz subspace* of E if  $f. g \in V \implies f \lor g, f \land g \in V.$ **Example:**  $PP([0,\infty)) \subseteq C[0,\infty)$ . 2 The Riesz subspace I of E is called an *ideal* in E if  $[f \in I, g \in E \text{ and } |g| < |f|] \implies g \in I.$ **Example:** Let  $a \in [0, 1]$ . Then  $\{f \in C[0, 1] : f(a) = 0\}$  is an ideal in C[0, 1].

3 The ideal B of E is called a band in E if

 $[D \subseteq B \text{ and } \sup(D) \text{ exists in } E] \implies \sup(D) \in B.$ **Example:** For  $a \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\{f \in c(\mathbb{N}) : f(a) = 0\}$  is a band in  $c(\mathbb{N})_{7/35}$ 



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Caratheodory Space of Place Functions Applications The band [A] generated by the ideal A in the Riesz space E consists of all f ∈ E satisfying

 $|f| = \sup\{u : u \in A, \ 0 \le u \le |f|\}.$ 

**5** Let  $f \in E$ . The *principal ideal* generated by f, denoted  $E_f$ , is the smallest ideal of E containing f. In particular,

 $E_f = \{g \in E : |g| \le |\lambda f| \text{ for some } \lambda \in \mathbb{R}\}.$ 



# Bilinear Maps and the Algebraic Tensor Product

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Let X, Y and Z be vector spaces. A map 
$$T: X \times Y \to Z$$
 is *bilinear* if

$$\begin{array}{l} T(x_1 + x_2, y) = T(x_1, y) + T(x_2, y) & (x_1, \ x_2 \in X, \ y \in Y); \\ T(x, y_1 + y_2) = T(x, y_1) + T(x, y_2) & (x \in X, \ y_1, \ y_2 \in Y); \\ \lambda T(x, y) = T(\lambda x, y) = T(x, \lambda y) & (\lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \ x \in X, \ y \in Y). \end{array}$$

#### The Universal Property

For every bilinear map  $A: X \times Y \to Z$ , there exists a unique linear map  $L: X \otimes Y \to Z$  such that the diagram below commutes.





## **Riesz Bimorphisms**

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Boolean Algebras and their Free Product Free Product Carathéodory Spaces of Place Functions Applications Let *E* and *F* be Riesz spaces. A linear mapping  $T: E \rightarrow F$  is a *Riesz homomorphism* if

$$T(x \lor y) = T(x) \lor T(y)$$

for every  $x \in E$  and  $y \in F$ .

## Definition

Definition

Let *E*, *F*, and *G* be Archimedean Riesz spaces. A *Riesz bimorphism* is a bilinear map  $T : E \times F \rightarrow G$  such that the maps

$$z \longmapsto T(z, y) : E \to G$$
  
 $z \longmapsto T(x, z) : F \to G$ 

are Riesz homomorphisms for all  $x \in E^+$  and all  $y \in F^+$ .



## Fremlin Tensor Product

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## Theorem (Fremlin 1972)

Let *E* and *F* be Archimedean Riesz spaces. There exists an Archimedean Riesz space *G* and a Riesz bimorphism  $\varphi \colon E \times F \to G$  with the following properties.

**1** Whenever *H* is an Archimedean Riesz space and  $\psi: E \times F \to H$  is a Riesz bimorphism, there is a unique Riesz homomorphism  $T: G \to H$  such that  $T \circ \varphi = \psi$ .



Any G satisfying this property is the Archimedean Riesz space (or Fremlin) tensor product of E and F, denoted  $E \otimes F$ .



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2 If ψ(x, y) > 0 in H whenever x > 0 in E and y > 0 in F, then E ⊗F may be identified with the Riesz subspace of H generated by ψ[E × F].
If h ∈ E ⊗F, there exist finite sets I, J of N and g<sub>ii</sub> ∈ E ⊗ F such that

$$h = \sup_{i \in I} \inf_{j \in J} \{g_{ij}\},\$$

where  $g_{ij} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} e_i \otimes f_i$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $e_i \in E$ , and  $f_i \in F$ .



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#### Definition

Let *E* be an Archimedean Riesz space and let *I* be a nonempty set.  $c_{00}(I, E)$  is the set of all maps  $f: I \to E$  such that

$$S(f) = \{x \in I : f(x) \neq 0\}$$

is finite. We refer to S(f) as the *support* of f. We write  $c_{00}(I)$  in place of  $c_{00}(I, \mathbb{R})$ .



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Theorem (Buskes, Thorn 2022)

Suppose E and F are Dedekind complete. The following are equivalent.

**1**  $E_x \overline{\otimes} F_y$  is Dedekind complete for every  $x \in E^+$  and  $y \in F^+$ .

- 2  $[E_x \text{ is finite dimensional } \forall x \in E^+]$  or  $[F_y \text{ is finite dimensional } \forall y \in F^+]$ .
- 3  $E \cong c_{00}(I)$  for a set  $I \subseteq E$  or  $F \cong c_{00}(J)$  for a set  $J \subseteq F$ .
- 4  $E\bar{\otimes}F \cong c_{00}(I,F)$  for a set  $I \subseteq E$  or  $E\bar{\otimes}F \cong c_{00}(J,E)$  for a set  $J \subseteq F$ .
- **5**  $E \otimes \overline{F}$  is Dedekind complete.



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## Theorem (Fremlin 1995)

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  be Boolean algebras.  $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}$  is complete if and only if either  $\mathcal{A} = \{0\}$  or  $\mathcal{B} = \{0\}$  or  $\mathcal{A}$  is finite and  $\mathcal{B}$  is complete or  $\mathcal{B}$  is finite and  $\mathcal{A}$  is complete.



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## Boolean Algebras

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Carathéodory Spaces of Place Functions Applications A lattice X is called *distributive* if

$$x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$$

for all x, y, z in X.

#### Definition

A *Boolean algebra* is a distributive lattice with zero 0 and unit 1 having the property that every element has a complement.

#### Definition

A Boolean algebra is complete if every subset has a supremum.



## Boolean Algebra of Bands

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Carathéodory Spaces of Place Functions Applications As an intermediary between Archimedean Riesz spaces and Boolean algebras, we consider Boolean algebras of bands.

#### Theorem

Define 
$$B(E) = \{B \subseteq E : B \text{ is a band}\}.$$

- **1**  $\{0\}$  and *E* are elements of  $\mathcal{B}(E)$ ;
- 2 intersections of bands are bands;
- 3 for any subset D of E, the disjoint complement of D, which is

$$D^d=\{f\in E: |f|\wedge |g|=0 ext{ for all } g\in D\},$$

is an element of  $\mathcal{B}(E)$ .

 $\mathcal{B}(E)$ , partially ordered by inclusion, is a complete Boolean algebra if E is Archimedean.



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#### Theorem (Luxemburg, Zaanen)

If the Archimedean Riesz space E has the property that any set of mutually disjoint nonzero elements is finite, then E is of finite dimension.

#### Lemma

Let E be a Riesz space and f,  $g \in E$ . Then  $|f| \wedge |g| = 0$  implies  $[f] \perp [g]$ .

## Corollary

If E is an infinite dimensional Archimedean Riesz space, then  $\mathcal{B}(E)$  is not finite.



## **Boolean Homomorphisms**

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#### Definition

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  be Boolean algebras. A map  $\chi \colon \mathcal{A} \to \mathcal{B}$  is said to be a *Boolean homomorphism* if for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$ ,

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1 \chi(x \wedge y) = \chi(x) \wedge \chi(y);
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- 2  $\chi(x \oplus y) = \chi(x) \oplus \chi(y);$
- $3 \ \chi(1_{\mathcal{A}}) = 1_{\mathcal{B}}.$

A bijective Boolean homomorphism is called a *Boolean isomorphism*. If there exists an isomorphism  $\chi \colon \mathcal{A} \to \mathcal{B}$ , then the Boolean algebras  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  are said to be *isomorphic*.



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Carathéodory Space of Place Functions Applications Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a family of Boolean algebras. For each  $i \in I$ , let  $Z_i$  be the Stone space of  $A_i$ . Set  $Z = \prod_{i \in I} Z_i$ , with the product topology. Then the *free product* of  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$  is the algebra of open-and-closed sets in Z, denoted  $\otimes$ .

2 For  $i \in I$  and  $a \in A_i$ , the set  $\hat{a} \subseteq Z_i$  representing a is an open-and-closed subset of  $Z_i$ ; because  $z \mapsto z(i) \colon Z \to Z_i$  is continuous,

$$\epsilon_i(a) = \{z : z(i) \in \hat{a}\}$$

is open-and-closed, so belongs to  $\mathcal{A}$ . In this context,  $\epsilon_i : \mathcal{A}_i \to \mathcal{A}$  is called the *canonical map*.



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## Theorem (Fremlin 1995)

Let  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a family of Boolean algebras, with free product A.

- **1** The canonical map  $\epsilon_i \colon \mathcal{A}_i \to \mathcal{A}$  is a Boolean homomorphism for every  $i \in I$ .
- 2 For any Boolean algebra B and any family {φ<sub>i</sub>}<sub>i∈I</sub> such that φ<sub>i</sub> is a Boolean homomorphism from A<sub>i</sub> to B for every i, there is a unique Boolean homomorphism φ: A → B such that φ<sub>i</sub> = φ ∘ ε<sub>i</sub> for each i.
- 3 Write C for the set of those members of A expressible in the form inf<sub>j∈J</sub> ε<sub>j</sub>(a<sub>j</sub>), where J ⊆ I is finite and a<sub>j</sub> ∈ A<sub>j</sub> for every j. Then every member of A is expressible as the supremum of a disjoint finite subset of C.



# Example: $\mathcal{A},\,\mathcal{B}$ - collection of open and closed intervals in $\mathbb R$

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## Definition

Let *E* be a Riesz space and  $e \in E^+$ . Then  $x \in E^+$  is said to be a *component* of *e* whenever  $x \land (e - x) = 0$ . C(e) is the set of all component of *e*.

## Theorem (Buskes, de Pagter, van Rooij 2008)

Let A be a Boolean algebra. There exists an Archimedean Riesz space E with an order unit e with the following properties.

- **1** There exists a Boolean isomorphism  $\chi: \mathcal{A} \to \mathcal{C}(e)$ .
- **2** E is the linear span of C(e).

 $(E, \chi)$  is unique up to isomorphism. It is denoted by  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A})$  and is called the *space of place functions on*  $\mathcal{A}$  in the sense of Carathéodory.



## Complete Boolean Algebra

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#### Theorem

Let A be a Boolean algebra. A is complete if and only if C(A) is Dedekind complete.



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## $C(\mathcal{A}) \overline{\otimes} C(\mathcal{B})$ and $C(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B})$ are Riesz isomorphic.

Sketch of Proof: For  $f \in C(\mathcal{A})$  and  $g \in C(\mathcal{B})$ , there exist  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ , pairwise disjoint  $x_i \in C(a)$ , pairwise disjoint  $u_j \in C(b)$ , and nonzero  $\lambda_i, \gamma_j \in \mathbb{R} \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_i \chi_A(x_i)$  and  $g = \sum_{j=1}^{m} \gamma_j \chi_B(u_j)$ . Define  $\psi : C(\mathcal{A}) \times C(\mathcal{B}) \to C(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B})$  by

$$\psi(f,g) = \psi\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_i \chi_A(x_i), \sum_{j=1}^{m} \gamma_j \chi_B(u_j)\right)$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} (\lambda_i \gamma_j) \hat{\chi}(\epsilon_A(x_i) \wedge \epsilon_B(u_j)).$$

 $\psi$  is a Riesz bimorphism, so there exists a unique Riesz homomorphism  $T: C(\mathcal{A})\bar{\otimes}C(\mathcal{B}) \rightarrow C(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B})$  such that  $\psi = T \circ \otimes$ .



# $T\colon C(\mathcal{A})\bar{\otimes}C(\mathcal{B}) ightarrow C(\mathcal{A}\otimes\mathcal{B})$ is onto.

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Carathéodory Spaces of Place Functions Let  $h \in C(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B})$ . Then  $h = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_i \hat{\chi}(e_i)$  for some pairwise disjoint  $e_i \in \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and nonzero  $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}$ . Fix  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . By Fremlin's properties of  $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}$ , there exists a finite disjoint subset  $\{\epsilon_{\mathcal{A}}(a_k) \wedge \epsilon_{\mathcal{B}}(b_k)\}_{k=1}^m (m \in \mathbb{N})$  of  $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}$  such that

$$e_i = \bigvee_{k=1}^m \epsilon_A(a_k) \wedge \epsilon_B(b_k).$$

Then it follows from the definition of  $\psi$  that

$$\begin{split} \hat{\chi}(e_i) &= \hat{\chi}\left(\bigvee_{k=1}^m \epsilon_A(a_k) \wedge \epsilon_B(b_k)\right) \\ &= \bigvee_{k=1}^m \hat{\chi}(\epsilon_A(a_k) \wedge \epsilon_B(b_k)) \\ &= \bigvee_{k=1}^m \psi(\chi_A(a_k), \chi_B(b_k)) \\ &= \bigvee_{k=1}^m T \circ \otimes (\chi_A(a_k), \chi_B(b_k)). \end{split}$$

Since T preserves finite suprema,  $\hat{\chi}(e_i)$  is in the image of T for every *i*. It follows from the linearity of T that h is in the image of T.



# $\mathcal{T}\colon \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A})ar{\otimes}\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{B}) o \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}\otimes\mathcal{B})$ is one-to-one

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Suppose  $f \in C(\mathcal{A}) \otimes C(\mathcal{B})$ , the algebraic tensor product of  $C(\mathcal{A})$  and  $C(\mathcal{B})$ , such that f is nonzero. Then for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , nonzero  $\lambda_k \in \mathbb{R}$ , and nontrivial  $x_k \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $u_k \in \mathcal{B}$  such that

$$f=\sum_{k=1}^n\lambda_k\chi_A(x_k)\otimes\chi_B(u_k).$$

Since  $\epsilon_A$ ,  $\epsilon_B$ , and  $\hat{\chi}$  are injective Boolean isomorphisms,

$$T(f) = T\left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} \lambda_k \chi_A(x_k) \otimes \chi_B(u_k)\right)$$
$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n} \lambda_k \psi\left(\chi_A(x_k), \chi_B(u_k)\right)$$
$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n} \lambda_k \hat{\chi}(\epsilon_A(x_k) \wedge \epsilon_B(u_j))$$
$$\neq 0.$$



# $\mathcal{T}\colon \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A})ar{\otimes}\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{B}) o \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}\otimes\mathcal{B})$ is one-to-one

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Let  $g \in C(\mathcal{A}) \bar{\otimes} C(\mathcal{B})$  such that  $g \neq 0$ . By Theorem 2.2 of [1], for all  $\delta > 0$  there exists  $f \in C(\mathcal{A})^+ \otimes C(\mathcal{B})^+$  such that

$$0 \leq |g| - f \leq \delta \hat{\chi}(1_{\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}}).$$

Since  $C(\mathcal{A})\bar{\otimes}C(\mathcal{B})$  is Archimedean, choose  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|g| \wedge \delta \hat{\chi}(1_{\mathcal{A}\otimes\mathcal{B}}) \neq |g|$ . Then f is nonzero. We have shown that  $T(f) \neq 0$  when  $0 \neq f \in C(\mathcal{A}) \otimes C(\mathcal{B})$ . Since T is a Riesz homomorphism,  $0 < T(f) \leq |T(g)|$ . Therefore,  $T(g) \neq 0$ , and T is a Riesz isomorphism.

Finally,  $C(\mathcal{A})\bar{\otimes}C(\mathcal{B})$  is Riesz isomorphic to  $C(\mathcal{A}\otimes\mathcal{B})$ .



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## Theorem (Fremlin 1995)

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#### Proof.

 $(\Longrightarrow)$  It follows that  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}) \cong \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}) \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{B})$  is Dedekind complete. Then  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A})$  and  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{B})$  are Dedekind complete, and so  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  are complete. It remains to show that one of the Boolean algebras is finite. By our main result on Dedekind completeness, the Dedekind completeness of  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A})\bar{\otimes}\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{B})$  implies that  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A})\cong c_{00}(I)$  for a set  $I\subseteq \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A})$  or  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{B})\cong c_{00}(J)$  for a set  $J\subseteq \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{B})$ . Since each Carathéodory space of place functions contains a unit,  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A})$  or  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{B})$  is finite dimensional. Thus,  $\mathcal{A}$  is finite or  $\mathcal{B}$  is finite.

 $(\Leftarrow)$  The sufficiency is proven similarly via our main result on the Dedekind completeness of the tensor product.



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#### Theorem (Fremlin 1995)

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  be Boolean algebras.  $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}$  is complete if and only if *either*  $\mathcal{A} = \{0\}$  or  $\mathcal{B} = \{0\}$  or  $\mathcal{A}$  is finite and  $\mathcal{B}$  is complete or  $\mathcal{B}$  is finite and  $\mathcal{A}$  is complete.

#### Theorem (Buskes, Thorn 2022)

Suppose E and F are Dedekind complete. The following are equivalent.

- **1**  $E_x \bar{\otimes} F_y$  is Dedekind complete for every  $x \in E^+$  and  $y \in F^+$ .
- [E<sub>x</sub> is finite dimensional ∀x ∈ E<sup>+</sup>] or [F<sub>y</sub> is finite dimensional ∀y ∈ F<sup>+</sup>].
- 3  $E \cong c_{00}(I)$  for a set  $I \subseteq E$  or  $F \cong c_{00}(J)$  for a set  $J \subseteq F$ .
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#### Corollary

Let E and F be infinite dimensional Archimedean Riesz spaces. Then  $\mathcal{B}(E) \otimes \mathcal{B}(F)$  is not Boolean isomorphic to  $\mathcal{B}(E \bar{\otimes} F)$ .

#### Proof.

Since *E* and *F* are infinite dimensional, neither  $\mathcal{B}(E)$  nor  $\mathcal{B}(F)$  is finite. Then  $\mathcal{B}(E) \otimes \mathcal{B}(F)$  is not complete by the previous theorem. However, the Boolean algebra of bands is complete for any Archimedean Riesz space, so  $\mathcal{B}(E\bar{\otimes}F)$  is complete.



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# Thank you!



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