

# Decomposing the discriminator in the semilattice of modal operators

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Let  $M(B)$  be the set of modal operators on a nontrivial Boolean algebra  $B$ , and  $\mathcal{L}$  be the bounded semilattice  $\langle M(B), \vee, f^0, f^1 \rangle$ , where  $f^0(x) \equiv 0$ , and

$$f^1(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x = 1, \\ 1, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Observe that  $f^1$  is the unary discriminator on  $B$ . A *discriminator decomposition algebra* (DDA) is a bimodal algebra  $\langle B, f, g \rangle$  in which  $f \vee g = f^1$ ; DDAs have a close relationship to weak mixed algebras of [2]. A *decomposition of  $f^1$*  is a pair of modal operators  $\langle f, g \rangle$  on  $B$  such that  $\langle B, f, g \rangle$  is a DDA.

We investigate the question how the discriminator can be decomposed. Emphasis is given to minimal pairs (i.e. minimal elements of  $\mathcal{L} \times \mathcal{L}$ ), and dual pseudocomplements in  $\mathcal{L}$ . In particular we address the question under which conditions  $\mathcal{L}$  is dually pseudocomplemented.

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