

$\Rightarrow$  Let  $a \neq b$  for example  $a \not\subseteq b$ . Then  $a \cap b \subset a$ ;  $\text{atoms } a \supset \text{atoms}(a \cap b) = \text{atoms } a \cap \text{atoms } b$  and thus  $\text{atoms } a \neq \text{atoms } b$ .

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□

**Proposition 14** *Any atomistic poset is atomically separable.*

**Proof** We need to prove that  $\text{atoms } a = \text{atoms } b \Rightarrow a = b$ . But it is obvious because

$$a = \bigcup \text{atoms } a \quad \text{and} \quad b = \bigcup \text{atoms } b.$$

□

**Theorem 20** *If a lattice with least element is atomic and separable then it is atomistic.*

**Proof** Suppose the contrary that is  $a \supset \bigcup \text{atoms } a$ . Then, because our lattice is separable, exists  $c \in \mathfrak{A}$  such that  $c \cap a \neq 0$  and  $c \cap \bigcup \text{atoms } a = 0$ . There exist atom  $d \subseteq c$  such that  $d \subseteq c \cap a$ .  $d \cap \bigcup \text{atoms } a \subseteq c \cap \bigcup \text{atoms } a = 0$ . But  $d \in \text{atoms } a$ . Contradiction. □

**Theorem 21** *Any atomistic lattice is atomically separable.*

**Proof** Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be an atomistic lattice. Let  $a, b \in \mathfrak{A}$ ,  $a \subset b$ . Then  $\bigcup \text{atoms } a \subset \bigcup \text{atoms } b$  and consequently  $\text{atoms } a \subset \text{atoms } b$ . □

**Theorem 22** *Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be an atomic meet-semilattice with least element. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

1.  $\mathfrak{A}$  is separable.
2.  $\mathfrak{A}$  is atomically separable.
3.  $\mathfrak{A}$  conforms to Wallman's disjunction property.
4.  $\forall a, b \in \mathfrak{A} : (a \subset b \Rightarrow \exists c \in \mathfrak{A} \setminus \{0\} : (c \asymp a \wedge c \subseteq b))$ .

**Proof**

(1) $\Leftrightarrow$ (3) $\Leftrightarrow$ (4) Proved above.

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (4) Let our semilattice be atomically separable. Let  $a \subset b$ . Then  $\text{atoms } a \subset \text{atoms } b$  and so exists  $c \in \text{atoms } b$  such that  $c \notin \text{atoms } a$ .  $c \neq 0$  and  $c \subseteq b$ ;  $c \not\subseteq a$ , from which (taking in account that  $c$  is an atom)  $c \subseteq b$  and  $c \cap a = 0$ . So our semilattice conforms to the formula (4).