## The lattice of linear Mal'cev conditions

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The class of all retractions (reflections, resp.) of algebras from  $\mathcal{K}$  is denoted  $\mathbf{R} \mathcal{K} (\mathbf{R}_{ret} \mathcal{K})$ .

## Theorem (Barto, Pinsker, O)

A class of algebras is definable by linear identities (identities of height 1, resp.) if and only if it is closed under  $\mathbf{R}_{ret}$  and  $\mathbf{P}$  ( $\mathbf{R}$  and  $\mathbf{P}$ , resp.).

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Meet of two Mal'cev conditions is the strongest Mal'cev condition that which is weaker then both of the original ones.

## Meet of Mal'cev and Jónsson terms

There exists ternary terms  $q, d_1, \ldots, d_n$ , and a binary term  $\cdot$  such that

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## Observation

A clone satisfies this Mal'cev condition if and only if it is a product of a clone with Mal'cev operation and a clone with Jónsson terms.

A product of clones  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  is the clone  $\mathcal{C}$  with  $C = A \times B$ , and  $\mathcal{C}^{[n]} = \{f \times g : f \in \mathcal{A}^{[n]}, g \in \mathcal{B}^{[n]}\}.$ 

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