# Generalized Heyting Algebras and Duality

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Hence,  $\nabla$ -algebras generalize both bounded lattices and Heyting algebras.

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## Motivation I: Intuitionistic Temporal Logics

A Heyting  $\nabla$ -algebra is the algebraic model for basic intuitionistic temporal logic.

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# Motivation III: Implications

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The last three has a topological root. More precisely, over locales and in the presence of enough separation axioms on the space:

- (N):  $\nabla$  is the inverse image of a continuous function.
- (N)+(Fa): The continuous function is a topological embedding.
- (N)+(Fu): The continuous function is surjective.

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# Some Closure Properties

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## Theorem (Amalgamation)

The varieties  $\mathcal{V}(D, N)$  and  $\mathcal{V}(D, N, Fa)$  have the amalgamation property.

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Is it possible to strengthen this representation theorem to a full scale duality theory?

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- (N): The function  $\pi: X \to X$  is a Priestley map and  $\downarrow \pi[U]$  is clopen, for any clopen U.
- (N)+(Fa): The function π is also an order embedding or a regular monic in the category of Priestley spaces.
- (N)+(Fu): The function π is also surjective or an epic map in the category of Priestley spaces.

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Theorem (*Priestley-Esakia duality for distributive*  $\nabla$ *-algebras*)

Let  $C \subseteq \{N, Fa, Fu\}$ . Then,  $Alg_{\nabla}(D, C) \simeq Space_{\nabla}^{op}(C)$ .

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