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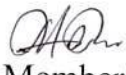
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
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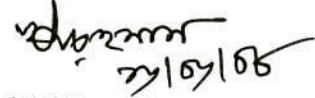
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SUMMARY

This thesis studies the nature of *Pseudocomplemented lattice*. We can define a lattice in two ways; (i) *Set theoretically* and (ii) *Algebraically*.

Set theoretically: A poset $\langle L; \leq \rangle$ is a lattice if for every $a, b \in L$ both $\text{Sup}\{a, b\}$ and $\text{Inf}\{a, b\}$ exists in L .

Algebraically : A nonempty set L with two binary operations \wedge and \vee is called a lattice if $\forall a, b, c \in L$. The following conditions hold.

$$\text{i) } a \wedge a = a, a \vee a = a$$

$$\text{ii) } a \wedge b = b \wedge a, a \vee b = b \vee a .$$

$$\text{iii) } a \wedge (b \wedge c) = (a \wedge b) \wedge c, a \vee (b \vee c) = (a \vee b) \vee c ,$$

$$\text{iv) } a \wedge (a \vee b) = a, a \vee (a \wedge b) = a .$$

In this thesis, we have studied several properties of *pseudocomplemented lattices*. Moreover, we give several results on *pseudocomplemented lattices* which certainly extend and generalize many results in lattice theory.

In Chapter one, we have discussed *posets, lattices* and *Ideals of a lattice* which are explain with some examples and generalized many theorems of them.

In chapter two, congruence of *lattices, distributive lattices, Complemented lattices* and *Boolean algebra* have been discussed, which are basic concept of this thesis.

In chapter three we give a description of *pseudocomplemented lattices*. We have also studied *distributive pseudocomplemented lattices* and *algebraic lattices*. *Pseudocomplemented lattices* have been studied by G. Gratzer [7] and many other authors. Here we extend several results of G. Gratzer [7] to lattices.

Chapter four introduces the concepts of *stone lattices*. Stone lattices have been studied by Gratzer [7], Katrinak [11] and many other authors. We have given a characterization of *minimal prime ideals* of *pseudocomplemented distributive lattices*.

Chapter five introduces the concept of *distributive and modular lattice with n -ideals*. Here we include several characterizations of *n -ideals*. We have proved some interesting result which are generalizes several results on *distributive ,modular and ideals of a lattices*. Latif [20] in his thesis has introduced the concept of *standard n -ideals of a lattice*. We conclude this thesis with some more properties of *standard and neutral n -ideals*.

CHAPTER ONE

LATTICES AND IDEALS

1. Lattices:

Introduction: The intention of this section is to outline and fix the notation for some of the concepts of *lattices* which are basic to this thesis. We also formulate some results on arbitrary *lattices* for later use. For the background material in lattice theory we refer the reader to the text of G. Birkhoff [1], G. Grätzer [7], [8], D.E. Rutherford [17] and vijay K. Khanna [18].

Definition (Poset): A nonempty set P , together with a binary relation ρ is said to form a partially ordered set or a *poset* of the following conditions hold: For all $a, b, c \in P$

- i) Reflexivity : $a \rho a$
- ii) Anti – symmetry: $a \rho b$ and $b \rho a$ imply that $a = b$
- iii) Transitivity: $a \rho b$ and $b \rho c$ imply that $a \rho c$

We also use the partially ordering relation ' \leq ' in lieu of ρ .

Now we give an example of a *poset*.

Example 1.1.1 : The set N of natural numbers form a *poset* under the usual ' \leq '. Similarly, the set of integers Z , the set of rationals Q and the set of real numbers R also form *posets* under usual ' \leq '.

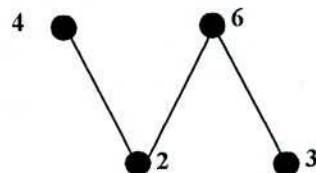


Figure 1.1

As a particular case, the poset $\{2,3,4,6\}$ under divisibility is represented by figure 1.1

Definition (Chain): If P is a poset in which every two members are comparable it is called a *totally ordered set* or *to set* or a *chain*. Thus if P is a *chain* and $x, y \in P$ then either $x \leq y$ or $y \leq x$. The poset in figure 1.2 is a *chain*.



Figure 1.2

Let P be a poset. If there exists an element $a \in P$ such that $x \leq a$ for all $x \in P$ then a is called greatest element, if it exists, will be comparable with all elements of the poset. It is generally denoted by u or l .

Also an element $b \in P$ will be called least or zero element of P if $b \leq x, \forall x \in P$. It is denoted by 0 . Least element (if it exists) will be unique.

Let $X = \{1,2,3\}$, then $P(X) = \{\phi, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{1,2\}, \{2,3\}, \{1,3\}, \{1,2,3\}\}$ form a poset under usual ' \leq ' with ϕ as least element and $\{1,2,3\}$ as greatest element. An element a in a poset P is called maximal element of P if $a < x$ for no $x \in P$. In the poset $\{1,2,4,6\}$ under divisibility 4 and 6 are both maximal elements. Greatest element is the unique maximal element in figure 1.1. An element b in a poset P is called a minimal element of P if $x < b$ for no x in P . 2 and 3 are both minimal elements in figure 1.1.

Theorem 1.1.2 : If S is a nonempty finite subset of a poset P then S has maximal and minimal elements.

Proof : Let x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n be all the distinct elements of S in any random order. If x_1 is maximal element, we are done. If x_1 is not maximal then there exists some $x_i \in S$ such that $x_1 < x_i$. If x_i is maximal. We are done. If not, there exists some $x_j \in S$ such that $x_i < x_j$. Continuing like this, we will reach a stage where some element will be maximal. Similarly, we can show that S has minimal elements. ■

Theorem 1.1.3: The cardinal product of two posets is a poset.

Proof : Let P_1 and P_2 be two posets then we show that

$P_1 \times P_2 = \{(x, y) \mid x \in P_1, y \in P_2\}$ forms a poset under the relation defined by. $(x_1, y_1) \leq_{P_1 \times P_2} (x_2, y_2) \Leftrightarrow x_1 \leq_{P_1} x_2$ in $P_1, y_1 \leq_{P_2} y_2$ in P_2

- i) Reflexivity : $(x, y) \leq_{P_1 \times P_2} (x, y) \forall (x, y) \in P_1 \times P_2$ as $x \leq_{P_1} x$ in P_1 and $y \leq_{P_2} y$ in $P_2 \forall x \in P_1, y \in P_2$
- (ii) Anti – symmetry : Let $(x_1, y_1) \leq_{P_1 \times P_2} (x_2, y_2)$ and $(x_2, y_2) \leq_{P_1 \times P_2} (x_1, y_1)$. Then $x_1 \leq_{P_1} x_2, y_1 \leq_{P_2} y_2$ and $x_2 \leq_{P_1} x_1, y_2 \leq_{P_2} y_1$, implies that $x_1 = x_2, y_1 = y_2$ implies that $(x_1, y_1) = (x_2, y_2)$.
- (iii) Transitive: Let $(x_1, y_1) \leq_{P_1 \times P_2} (x_2, y_2)$ and $(x_2, y_2) \leq_{P_1 \times P_2} (x_3, y_3)$. Then $x_1 \leq_{P_1} x_2, y_1 \leq_{P_2} y_2$ and $x_2 \leq_{P_1} x_3, y_2 \leq_{P_2} y_3$, implies that $x_1 \leq_{P_1} x_3, y_1 \leq_{P_2} y_3$ implies $(x_1, y_1) \leq_{P_1 \times P_2} (x_3, y_3)$.

Hence the product of two posets is a poset. ■

Definition(Suprimum and Infimum): Let S be a non empty subset of a poset P . An element $a \in P$ is called an upper bound of S if $x \leq a \forall x \in S$. Further if a is an upper bound of S such that, $a \leq b$ for all upper bounds b of S then a is called least upper bound or *supremum* of S . We write

$\text{Sup } S$ for *supremum of S*. Then a is called least upper bound or *supremum of S*. An element $a \in P$ will be called a *lower bound of S* if $a \leq x \forall x \in S$ and a will be called the *greatest lower bound or Infimum of S* if $b \leq a$ for all lower bounds b of S .

Example : Let $\langle \mathbb{Z}, \leq \rangle$ be the *poset* of integers under usual ' \leq '

Let $S = \{ \dots -3, -2, -1, 0, 2, 3 \}$ then $3 = \text{Sup } S$.

Definition(Lattice): *Lattices* are defined in two ways; (i) *set theoretically* and (ii) *Algebraically*

Set theoretically (define a lattice): A *poset* $\langle L; \leq \rangle$ is said to form a *lattice* if for every $a, b \in L$, $\text{Sup}\{a, b\}$ and $\text{Inf}\{a, b\}$ exist in L . So we can write $\text{Sup}\{a, b\} = a \vee b$ and $\text{Inf}\{a, b\} = a \wedge b$

Example: 1.1.4: Let X be a non empty set, then the *poset* $\langle P(X); \subseteq \rangle$ of all subsets of X under set inclusion ' \subseteq ' is *lattice*.

Here, for $A, B \in P(X)$, $A \wedge B = A \cap B$ and $A \vee B = A \cup B$. As a particular case when $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$ then

$$P(X) = \{ \phi, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{1,2\}, \{1,3\}, \{2,3\}, \{1,2,3\} \}.$$

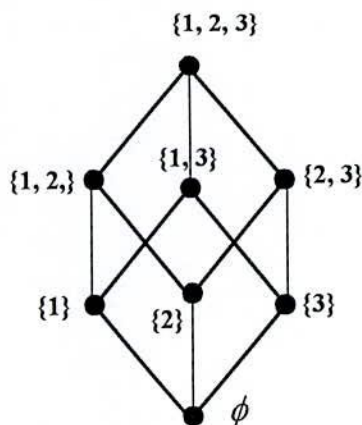


Figure 1.3

Now we give an example of a *poset* which is not a *lattice*. ■

Example: 1.1.5: The set $\{2,3,4,12\}$ under divisibility is a *poset* but is not a *lattice*. Since $2 \wedge 3 = 6$ does not exist.

The algebraic definition of a lattice: A nonempty set L together with two binary operations \wedge and \vee is said to form a *lattice* if $\forall a, b, c \in L$ the following conditions hold;

- i) Idempotency : $a \wedge a = a, a \vee a = a$
- ii) Commutativity : $a \wedge b = b \wedge a, a \vee b = b \vee a$
- iii) Associativity : $a \wedge (b \wedge c) = (a \wedge b) \wedge c.$
 $a \vee (b \vee c) = (a \vee b) \vee c$
- iv) Absorption: $a \wedge (a \vee b) = a, a \vee (a \wedge b) = a.$

Example:1.1.6: The set $L = \{0, a, b, 1\}$ forms a *lattice*.

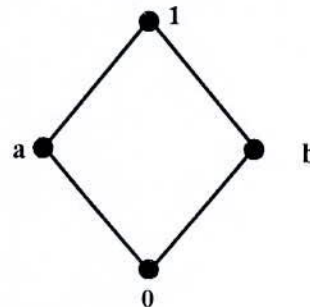


Figure 1.1.4

The *meet* table and the *join* table of $L = \{0, a, b, 1\}$ are as follows:

\wedge	0	a	b	1
0	0	0	0	0
a	0	a	0	a
b	0	0	b	b
1	0	a	b	1

Table - 1

\vee	0	a	b	1
0	0	a	b	1
a	a	a	1	1
b	b	1	b	1
1	1	1	1	1

Table - 2

Theorem: 1.1.7: (a) Let the poset $L = \langle L; \leq \rangle$ be a lattice.

Set $Sup\{a, b\} = a \vee b$ and $Inf\{a, b\} = a \wedge b$, then the algebra $L^a = \langle L; \wedge, \vee \rangle$ is a lattice.

(b) Let the algebra $L = \langle L; \leq \rangle$ be a lattice. Set $a \leq b$ if and only if $a \wedge b = a$, then $L^p = \langle L; \leq \rangle$ is a poset and the poset L^p is a lattice.

Proof: a) We have L is non empty and \wedge and \vee are two binary operations in L .

$$i) \quad a \wedge a = Inf\{a, a\} = a, \quad a \vee a = Sup\{a, a\} = a$$

$\therefore \wedge$ and \vee satisfy idempotent law.

$$ii) \quad a \wedge b = Inf\{a, b\} = Inf\{b, a\} = b \wedge a$$

$$a \vee b = Sup\{a, b\} = Sup\{b, a\} = b \vee a$$

$\therefore \wedge$ and \vee satisfy commutative law.

$$iii) \quad a \wedge (b \wedge c) = a \wedge Inf\{b, c\} = Inf\{a, b, c\}$$

$$= Inf\{a, b\} \wedge c = (a \wedge b) \wedge c$$

$$a \vee (b \vee c) = a \vee Sup\{b, c\} = Sup\{a, b, c\}$$

$$= Sup\{a, b\} \vee c = (a \vee b) \vee c$$

$\therefore \wedge$ and \vee satisfy associative law.

$$iv) \quad a \wedge (a \vee b) = a \wedge Sup\{a, b\} = Inf\{a, Sup\{a, b\}\} = a$$

$$a \vee (a \wedge b) = a \vee Inf\{a, b\} = Sup\{a, Inf\{a, b\}\} = a$$

$\therefore \wedge$ and \vee satisfy absorption law.

So $L^a = \langle L; \wedge, \vee \rangle$ is a lattice. ■

b) Given that the algebra $L = \langle L; \leq \rangle$ be a lattice set $a \leq b$ if and only if $a \wedge b = a$; then $L^p = \langle L; \leq \rangle$ is a lattice.

$$i) \quad a = a \wedge b \text{ set } a \leq b \text{ if and only if } a = a \wedge b. \text{ Since } \wedge \text{ is idempotent.}$$

$\therefore a \wedge a = a$, Implies that $a \leq a$, $a \in L \therefore \leq$ is reflexive.

ii) Since \wedge is commutative then $a \wedge b = b \wedge a$ implies that $a < b$ and $b \leq a$.

implies that $a = b$ where $a, b \in L$.

$\therefore \leq$ is anti-symmetric.

iii) Let $a \leq b$ and $a \leq c$ then $a = a \wedge b$ and $a = a \wedge c$
 $a = a \wedge b = a \wedge (b \wedge c) = (a \wedge b) \wedge c = a \wedge c$,

So $a \leq c$ where $a, b, c \in L$

$\therefore \leq$ is transitive.

Hence $L = \langle L; \leq \rangle$ is a poset.

Let $a, b, c \in L$ then $a \wedge b \in L$

Now $(a \wedge b) \wedge a = a \wedge (b \wedge a) = a \wedge (a \wedge b) = (a \wedge a) \wedge b = a \wedge b$

and $(a \wedge b) \wedge b = a \wedge (b \wedge b) = a \wedge b$

So, $a \wedge b \leq a, b$

i.e. $(a \wedge b)$ is the another lower bound of a and b .

Let c be the another lower bound of a and b . $\therefore c \leq a, c \leq b$

Then $c \wedge a = c$ and $c \wedge b = c$. i.e., $c \leq a \wedge b$

$\therefore (a \wedge b)$ is greatest lower bound of $\{a, b\}$

$\therefore (a \wedge b) = \text{Inf}\{a, b\}$

By absorption law,

$$a \wedge (a \wedge b) = a \text{ and } b \wedge (a \wedge b) = b$$

i.e., a and b is lower bound of $a \vee b$.

Therefore $b \leq a \vee b$.

Then $a \vee b$ is an upper bound of a and b

Let c be the another upper bound of a and b , then $a \leq c, b \leq c$.

So, $a \vee c = (a \wedge c) \vee c = c, b \vee c = (b \wedge c) \vee c = c$

Thus $(a \vee b) \wedge c = (a \vee b) \wedge (a \vee c) = (a \vee b) \wedge (a \vee b \vee c)$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (a \vee b) \wedge ((a \vee b) \vee c) \\
&= (a \vee b) \text{ [by absorption law]}
\end{aligned}$$

i.e. $(a \vee b) \leq c$

and so $a \vee b = \text{Sup}\{a, b\}$

Hence $L^p = \langle L; \leq \rangle$ is a lattice. ■

Theorem 1.1.8 : The cardinal product of two lattices is a lattice.

Proof: Let L_1 and L_2 be two lattices then we have already proved that

[Th-1.1.3] $L_1 \times L_2 = \{x, y : x \in L_1, y \in L_2\}$ is a poset under the relation \leq define by. $(x_1, y_1) \leq L_1 \times L_2 (x_2, y_2) \Leftrightarrow x_1 \leq L_1 x_2$ in $L_1, y_1 \leq L_2 y_2$ in L_2 .

We shall show that $L_1 \times L_2$ forms a lattice.

Let $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in L_1 \times L_2$ be any elements. Then $x_1, x_2 \in L_1$ and $y_1, y_2 \in L_2$. Since L_1 and L_2 are lattices, then $\{x_1, x_2\}$ and $\{y_1, y_2\}$ have sup and inf in L_1 and L_2 respectively.

Let $x_1 \wedge x_2 = \inf\{x_1, x_2\}$ and $y_1 \wedge y_2 = \inf\{y_1, y_2\}$

Then $x_1 \wedge x_2 \leq L_1 x_1, x_1 \wedge x_2 \leq L_1 x_2, y_1 \wedge y_2 \leq L_2 y_1, y_1 \wedge y_2 \leq L_2 y_2$

Implies that $(x_1 \wedge x_2, y_1 \wedge y_2) \leq L_1 \times L_2 (x_1, y_1), (x_1 \wedge x_2, y_1 \wedge y_2) \leq L_1 \times L_2$

(x_2, y_2) . Implies that $(x_1 \wedge x_2, y_1 \wedge y_2)$ is a lower bound of

$\{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)\}$. Suppose (p, q) is any lower bound of

$\{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)\}$.

then $(p, q) \leq L_1 \times L_2 (x_1, y_1)$ and $(p, q) \leq L_1 \times L_2 (x_2, y_2)$

Implies that $p \leq L_1 x_1, q \leq L_2 y_1, p \leq L_1 x_2, q \leq L_2 y_2$

Implies that $p \leq L_1 x_1, p \leq L_1 x_2$, and $q \leq L_2 y_1, q \leq L_2 y_2$

Implies that p is a lower bound of $\{x_1, x_2\}$ in L .

q is a lower bound of $\{y_1, y_2\}$ in L

Implies that $p \leq L_1 x_1 \wedge x_2 = \inf\{x_1, x_2\}, q \leq L_2 y_1 \wedge y_2 = \inf\{y_1, y_2\}$

Implies that $(p,q) \leq L_1 \times L_2 \{x_1 \wedge x_2, y_1 \wedge y_2\}$

implies that $(x_1 \wedge x_2, y_1 \wedge y_2)$ is greatest lower bound of $\{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)\}$.

Similarly, we can say that $(x_1 \wedge x_2, y_1 \wedge y_2)$ is least upper bound of $\{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)\}$. Hence $L_1 \times L_2$ is a lattice. ■

Definition(Complete lattice): A lattice L is called a *complete lattice* if every nonempty subset of L has its *Sup* and *Inf* exists in L .

Example: $I(L)$ the lattice of all ideals of a lattice L is complete if $0 \in I$.

Definition(Meet semi lattice): A poset $\langle P; \leq \rangle$ is called a *meet semi lattice* if for all $a, b \in P$, $\text{Inf}\{a, b\}$ exists. Equivalently, a nonempty set L together with a binary operation \wedge is called a *meet semi lattice* if

$$\forall a, b, c \in L,$$

$$(i) a \wedge a = a \quad (ii) a \wedge b = b \wedge a, \quad (iii) a \wedge (b \wedge c) = (a \wedge b) \wedge c.$$

Definition(Sublattice): A nonempty subset S of a lattice L is called a *sublattice* of L if $a, b \in S$ implies that $a \wedge b, a \vee b \in S$. If L is any lattice and $a \in L$ be any element then $\{a\}$ is a *sublattice* of L .

Theorem 1.1.9 : Union of two *sublattices* may not be a *sublattice*.

Proof: Consider the lattice $L = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12\}$ of factors of 12 under divisibility.

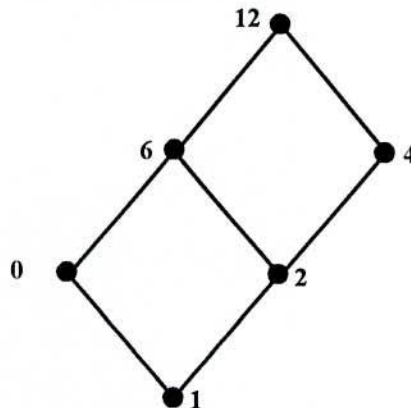


Figure 1.4

Then $S = \{1,2\}$ and $T = \{2,3\}$ are *sublattices* of L .

But $S \cup T = \{1,2,3\}$ is not *sublattice* as $2,3 \in S \cup T$

but $2 \vee 3 = 6 \notin S \cup T$. ■

Theorem 1.1.10: A lattice L is a *chain* if and only if every non empty subset of it is a *sublattice*.

Proof: Let S be a non empty subset of a *chain* L then $a, b \in S$

implies that $a, b \in L$,

implies that a, b comparable, let $a \leq b$

then $a \wedge b = a \in S$, $a \vee b = b \in S$, therefore S is a *sublattice*.

Conversely, Let L be a *lattice* such that every nonempty subset of L is a *sublattice*. We show that L is a *chain*. Let $a, b \in L$ be any elements, then $\{a, b\}$ being a non empty subset of L will be a *sublattice* of L . Thus by definition of *sublattice* $a \wedge b = \{a, b\}$ implies that $a \wedge b = a$ or $a \wedge b = b$ implies that $a \leq b$ or $b \leq a$ i.e, a, b are comparable, Hence L is a *chain*. ■

Definition(Convex sub lattice): A subset K of a *lattice* L is called a *convex* if $a, b \in K$; $c \in L$ and $a \leq c \leq b$ implies that $c \in K$. Any interval $[a, b]$ in a *lattice* is a *convex sublattice*.

Now we give an example which is not *convex sublattice*.

In the *lattice* $\{1,2,3,4,6,12\}$ under divisibility $\{1,6\}$ is a *sublattice*

which is *non-convex* as $2,3 \in [1,6]$, but $2,3 \notin \{1,6\}$.

Thus $[1,6] \not\subset \{1,6\}$.

Definition(Bounded lattice): A *lattice* is called finite if it contains a finite number of elements. A *lattice* with a largest and smallest elements is called a *bounded lattice*. Smallest element is denoted by *zero* and the largest element is denoted by *one*.

Let L_1 and L_2 be lattices. A mapping $\varphi : L_1 \rightarrow L_2$ is called a *meet homomorphism* if $\varphi(a \wedge b) = \varphi(a) \wedge \varphi(b)$. It is called a *join homomorphism* if $\varphi(a \vee b) = \varphi(a) \vee \varphi(b)$. If φ is both *meet* as well as *join homomorphism*, it is called a *homomorphism*.

Example: Let L_1 and L_2 be the lattices of figure 1.6(a) and 1.6(b) respectively.

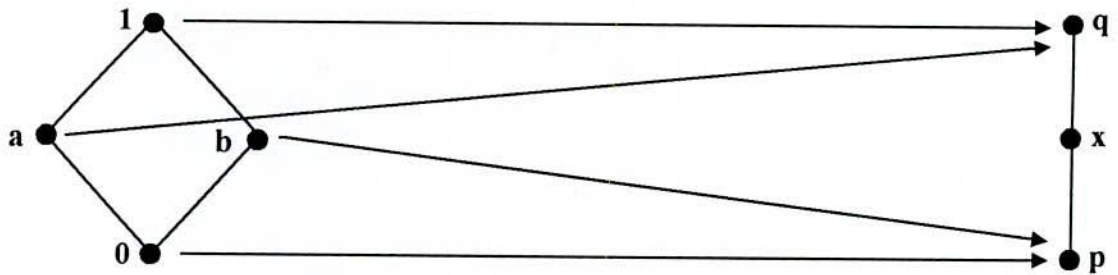


Figure 1.6 (a)

Define $\varphi : L_1 \rightarrow L_2$ such that $\varphi(0) = p, \varphi(a) = q, \varphi(b) = p, \varphi(1) = q$.

Then φ is a *homomorphism* for

$$\varphi(a \wedge b) = \varphi(0) = p, \varphi(a) \wedge \varphi(b) = q \wedge p = p$$

implies that $\varphi(a \wedge b) = \varphi(a) \wedge \varphi(b)$,

$$\varphi(0 \vee a) = \varphi(a) = q,$$

$$\varphi(0) \vee \varphi(a) = p \vee q = p$$

$$\text{implies that } \varphi(0 \vee a) = \varphi(0) \vee \varphi(a)$$

Similarly for all other elements.

A map $\varphi : P_1 \rightarrow P_2$ is called *isotone* if $x \leq_{P_1} y$ implies that $f(x) \leq_{P_2} f(y)$.

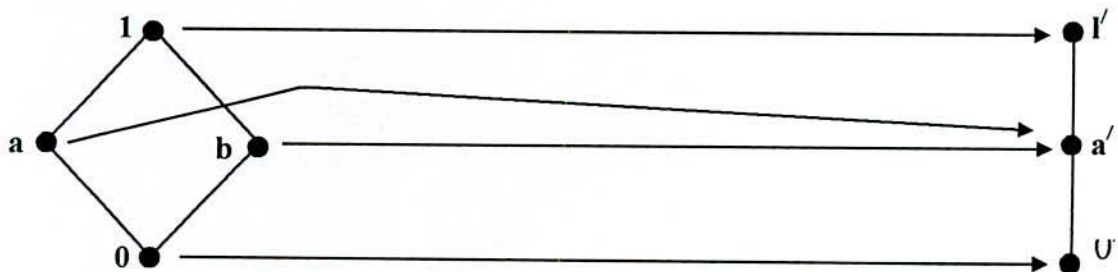


Figure 1.6(b)

Theorem 1.1.11: The algebra $\langle L; \wedge, \vee \rangle$ is a *lattice* if and only if $\langle L; \wedge \rangle$ and $\langle L; \vee \rangle$ *semi-lattices* and $a = a \wedge b$ is equivalent to $b = a \vee b$.

Proof : Let \wedge and \vee are two binary relations on L . Since $\langle L; \vee \rangle$ is a *lattice* then \wedge and \vee satisfy the following conditions : For all $a, b, c \in L$, $a \wedge a = a, a \vee a = a; a \wedge b = b \wedge a$ and $\langle L; \vee \rangle$ are I. Let $a = a \wedge b$ then $a \vee b = (a \wedge b) \vee b = b$,

Conversely, let $\langle L; \wedge \rangle$ and $\langle L; \vee \rangle$ are *semi-lattices* then the above three conditions hold. So we need only to show the absorption identities hold in L . $a \wedge (a \vee b) = a \wedge b = a$ and $a \vee (a \wedge b) = a \vee a = a$, so $\langle L; \wedge, \vee \rangle$ is a *lattice*. ■

2. Ideals of a lattice.

Definition(Ideal): A sub lattice I of a lattice L is called an *ideal* of L if, $i \in I$ and $a \in L$ implies that $a \wedge i \in I$

Equivalently,

A non empty subset I of a lattice L is an *ideal* if

- (i) $a, b \in I, a \vee b \in I$
- (ii) $a \in I$ and $l \in L$ implies that $a \wedge l \in I$

Let $L = \{1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 15, 30\}$ be a lattice of factors of 30 under divisibility.

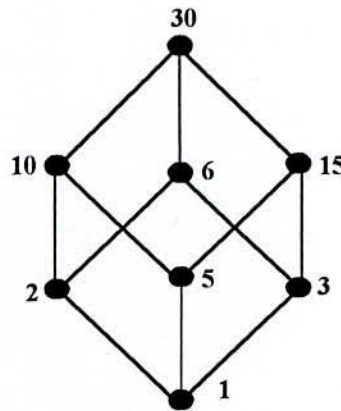


Figure 1.7

Then $\{1\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{1, 5\}, \{1, 2, 5, 10\}, \{1, 3, 5, 15\}, \{1, 2, 3, 6\}, \{1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 15\}$ are all the ideals of L .

Theorem: 1.2.1: Intersection of two *ideals* is an *ideal*.

Proof: Let I_1 and I_2 are two *ideals* of a lattice L . Since I_1, I_2 are non empty, there exists some $a \in I_1, b \in I_2$. Now $a \in I_1, b \in I_2 \subseteq L$ implies that $a \wedge b \in I_1$. Similarly $a \wedge b \in I_2$. Thus $I_1 \cap I_2 \neq \emptyset$.

Let $x, y \in I_1 \cap I_2$ be any elements,

implies that $x, y \in I_1$ and $x, y \in I_2$

implies that $x \vee y \in I_1$ and $x \vee y \in I_2$ as I_1, I_2 , are *ideals*,

So, $x \vee y \in I_1 \cap I_2$. Again if $x \in I_1 \cap I_2$ and $l \in L$ be any elements then $x \in I_1, x \in I_2, l \in L$ implies that $x \wedge l \in I_1$ and $x \wedge l \in I_2$ implies that $x \wedge l \in I_1 \cap I_2$.

Hence $I_1 \cap I_2$ is an ideal. ■

Theorem 1.2.2: Union of two ideals is an ideal if and only if one of them is contained in the other.

Proof: Let I_1, I_2 be two *ideals* of a *lattice* L such that either

$I_1 \subseteq I_2$ or $I_2 \subseteq I_1$. We have to show that $I_1 \cup I_2$ is an *ideal*.

Since $I_1 \neq \phi, I_2 \neq \phi$ then $I_1 \cup I_2 \neq \phi$ (as I_1, I_2 are two ideals).

Let $I_1 \subseteq I_2$ then $I_1 \cup I_2 = I_2$. If $I_2 \subseteq I_1$ then $I_1 \cup I_2 = I_1$.

In this case $I_1 \cup I_2$ is an *Ideal*.

Conversely, let I_1 and I_2 be two *ideals* of L and $I_1 \not\subseteq I_2$ and $I_2 \not\subseteq I_1$, such that $I_1 \cup I_2$ is an *ideal*. As $I_1 \subseteq I_2$ and $I_2 \subseteq I_1$

there exists $x \in I_1, x \notin I_2$ and $y \in I_2, y \notin I_1$. Now $x, y \in I_1 \cup I_2$ implies that $x \vee y \in I_1 \cup I_2$ implies that $x \vee y \in I_1$ or $x \vee y \in I_2$ if $x \vee y \in I_1$ then $x \leq x \vee y, y \leq x \vee y$ implies that $x, y \in I_1$

which is contradiction.

If $x \vee y \in I_2$ then $x \leq x \vee y, y \leq x \vee y$ implies that $x, y \in I_2$,

which is contradiction.

Hence $I_1 \subseteq I_2$ or $I_2 \subseteq I_1$. ■

Theorem 1.2.3: A nonempty subset I of a *lattice* L is an *ideal* if and only if

(i) $a, b \in I$ implies that $a \vee b \in I$

(ii) $a \in I, x \leq a$ implies that $x \in I$.

Proof : Let I be an ideal of a *lattice* L . By definition of *ideal* given condition $a \wedge l \in I$. Hence I is an *ideal*.

(i) is satisfied. Let $a \in I, x \leq a$ then $x = a \wedge x \in I$.

Conversely, we need show that $a \in I, l \in L$ implies that $a \wedge l \in I$.

since $a \wedge l \leq a$ and $a \in I$. By given condition $a \wedge l \in I$.

Hence I is an *ideal*. ■

Theorem 1.2.4: The set of all *ideals* $I(L)$ of a *lattice* L forms a *Lattice* under ' \subseteq ' relation.

Proof: Let $I(L)$, be the set of all *ideals* of L . We shall show that

$\langle I(L); \subseteq \rangle$ is a *lattice*. Now as $L \in I(L)$ then $I(L) \neq \phi$.

First we show $\langle I(L); \subseteq \rangle$ is a *poset*.

Reflexivity : $I_1 \subseteq I, \forall I \in I(L)$

Anti-symmetry: Let $I_1, I_2 \in I(L)$ such that $I_1 \subseteq I_2$ and $I_2 \subseteq I_1$

Implies that $I_1 = I_2$.

Transitivity: Let $I_1, I_2, I_3 \in I(L)$ and $I_1 \subseteq I_2 \subseteq I_3$ implies that $I_1 \subseteq I_3$.

Hence $\langle I(L); \subseteq \rangle$ is a *poset*.

Again let $I_1, I_2 \in I(L)$ then $I_1 \wedge I_2 = I_1 \cap I_2 \in I(L)$.

Therefore $\text{Inf}\{I_1, I_2\} = I_1 \wedge I_2 \in I(L)$.

Now we claim that $I_1 \vee I_2 = \{x \in L / x \leq i_1 \vee i_2\}$ for some $i_1 \in I_1, i_2 \in I_2$

To prove this, let $x, y \in \text{R.H.S}$ then $x \leq i_1 \wedge i_2$ for some $i_1 \in I_1, i_2 \in I_2$

and $y \leq j_1 \vee j_2$ for some $j_1 \in I_1, j_2 \in I_2$

So $x \vee y \leq (i_1 \vee i_2) \vee (j_1 \vee j_2) = (i_1 \vee j_1) \vee (i_2 \vee j_2)$

(where $i_1 \vee j_1 \in I_1, i_2 \vee j_2 \in I_2$),

Which implies $x \vee y \in \text{R.H.S}$. If $x \in \text{R.H.S}$ and $t \in L$ with $t \leq x$ then

$x \leq i_1 \vee i_2$ for some $i_1 \in I_1, i_2 \in I_2$. So $t \leq i_1 \vee i_2$ implies $t \in \text{R.H.S}$.

Therefore R.H.S is an *ideal*. Obviously this contains both I_1 and I_2 .

Suppose K is an *ideal* containing both I_1 and I_2 , Let $x \in \text{R.H.S}$ then

$x \leq i_1 \vee i_2$ for some $i_1 \in I_1, i_2 \in I_2$, Since K is an *ideal* containing I_1 and

I_2 . So $i_1 \vee i_2 \in K$ and $x \in K$ i.e., R.H.S $\leq K$ i.e., R.H.S is the smallest ideals. Therefore R.H.S = $I_1 \vee I_2$ and so $I(L)$ is a lattice. i.e., $\text{Sup} \{I_1, I_2\} = I_1 \vee I_2$. Hence $\langle I(L); \subseteq \rangle$ is a lattice. ■

Definition (dual ideal): A nonempty subset D of a lattice L is called dual ideal of L if

- (i) $a, b \in D$ implies that $a \wedge b \in D$
- (ii) $d \in D, a \in L$ implies that $d \vee a \in D$.

Let $I = \{1, 2, 5, 10\}$ be the lattice under divisibility. Then $\{10\}$, $\{5, 10\}$, $\{2, 10\}$ are all dual ideals of lattice L .

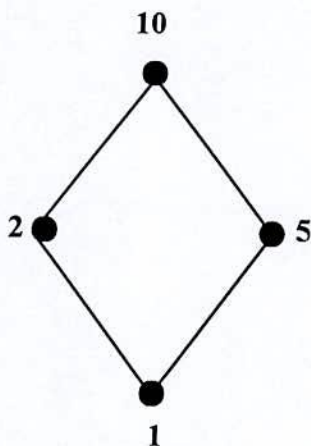


Figure 1.8

An ideal I of L is proper if $I \neq L$

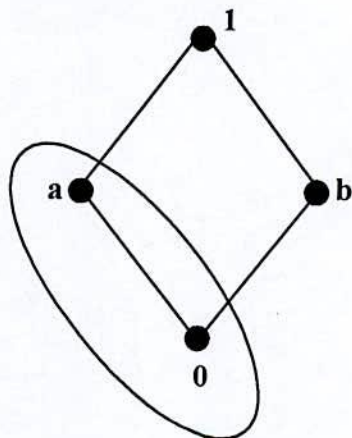


Figure 1.9

A proper ideal P of L is called a *prime ideal* if for any $x, y \in L$ and $x \wedge y \in P$ implies either $x \in P$ or $y \in P$. Let $L = \{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12 \}$ factors of 12 under divisibility forms a *lattice* then $\{ 1, 2, 4 \}$ be a *prime ideal* of L .

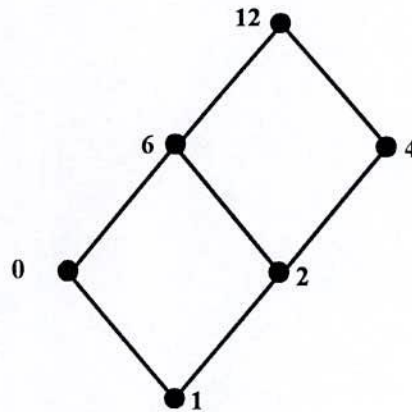


Figure 1.9

Theorem 1.2.5: Every ideal of a lattice L is *prime* if L is *chain*.

Proof: Let $a, b \in L \therefore a \wedge b \in L$. Consider $(a \wedge b)$ by hypothesis $I = (a \wedge b)$ is *prime* implies that either $a = a \wedge b$ or $b = a \wedge b$ implies that either $a \leq b$ or $b \leq a$. Hence L is *chain*.

Conversely, Let L be a *chain* and I be an *ideal* of L . Suppose $a \wedge b \in P$, since L is *chain*, either $a \leq b$ or $b \leq a$ implies that $a \in I$ or $b \in I$, therefore I is *prime*. ■

CHAPTER TWO

CONGRUENCES OF A LATTICE

1. Congruence and Distributive lattices

Introduction: Congruence of lattices, Distributive lattices, Modular lattices and Boolean algebras has been studied by several authors including Katrinak [10], H. Lakser [13], A. S. A. Noor & M. A. Latif [23], W. H. Cornish [4], A. Davey [6], G. Gratzer [7] and Vijay K. Khanna [18]. In this chapter, we discuss congruence of lattices, distributive lattices, modular lattices, complemented lattices and Boolean algebras which are basic concept of this thesis.

Definition (Congruence): An equivalence relation Θ (that is, a reflexive symmetric, and transitive binary relation) on a lattice L is called a congruence relation of L if and only if $a_0 \equiv b_0(\Theta)$ and $a_1 \equiv b_1(\Theta)$ imply that $a_0 \wedge a_1 \equiv b_0 \wedge b_1(\Theta)$ and $a_0 \vee a_1 \equiv b_0 \vee b_1(\Theta)$

Lemma.2.1.1: Let Θ be a congruence relation of L . Then for every $a \in L$, $[a]\Theta$ is a convex sub lattice.

Proof: Let $x, y \in [a]\Theta$; then $x \equiv a(\Theta)$ and $y \equiv a(\Theta)$.

Therefore $x \wedge y \equiv a \wedge a = a(\Theta)$ and $x \vee y \equiv a \vee a = a(\Theta)$, proving that $[a]\Theta$ is a sub lattice. If $x \leq t \leq y$ and $x, y \in [a]\Theta$ then $x \equiv a(\Theta)$ and $y \equiv a(\Theta)$. Therefore, $t = t \wedge y = t \wedge a(\Theta)$

and $t = t \vee x \equiv (t \wedge a) \vee x \equiv (t \wedge a) \vee a = a(\Theta)$,

Hence $[a]\Theta$ is convex. ■

Sometimes a long computation is required to prove that a given binary relation is a *congruence* relation. Such computations are often facilitated by the following lemma (G. Grätzer and E. T. Schmidt [1958e] and F. Maeda [1958]):

Lemma.2.1.2: *A reflexive binary relation Θ on a lattice L is a congruence relation if and only if the following three properties are satisfied; for all $x, y, z, t \in L$;*

- (i) $x \equiv y(\Theta)$ iff $x \wedge y \equiv x \vee y(\Theta)$
- (ii) $x \leq y \leq z$, $x \equiv y$ and $y \equiv z(\Theta)$ imply that $x \equiv z(\Theta)$.
- (iii) $x \leq y$ and $x \equiv y(\Theta)$ imply that $x \wedge t \equiv y \wedge t(\Theta)$ and $x \vee t \equiv y \vee t(\Theta)$.

Proof: The “only if” part being trivial, assume now that a symmetric and reflexive binary relation Θ satisfies conditions (i) - (iii). Let $b, c \in [a, d]$ and $a \equiv d(\Theta)$, we claim that $b \equiv c(\Theta)$. Indeed $a \equiv d(\Theta)$ and $a \leq d$ by (iii) imply that $b \wedge c = a \vee (b \wedge c) \equiv d \vee (b \wedge c) = d(\Theta)$. Now $b \wedge c \leq d$ and (iii) imply that $b \wedge c = (b \wedge c) \wedge (b \vee c) \equiv d \wedge (b \vee c) = b \vee c(\Theta)$; Thus by (i), $b \equiv c(\Theta)$.

To prove that Θ is transitive, let $x \equiv y(\Theta)$ and $y \equiv z(\Theta)$.

Then by (i), $x \wedge y \equiv x \vee y(\Theta)$ and

by (iii), $y \vee z = (y \vee z) \vee (y \wedge x) \equiv (y \vee z) \vee (y \vee x) = x \vee y \vee z(\Theta)$,

and similarly, $x \wedge y \wedge z \equiv y \wedge z(\Theta)$.

Therefore $x \wedge y \wedge z \equiv y \wedge z \equiv y \vee z \equiv x \vee y \vee z(\Theta)$

and $x \wedge y \wedge z \leq y \wedge z \leq y \vee z \leq x \vee y \vee z$. Thus applying (ii) twice,

we get $x \wedge y \wedge z \equiv x \vee y \vee z(\Theta)$. Now we apply the statement of the

previous paragraph with $a = x \wedge y \wedge z, b = x, c = z, d = x \vee y \vee z$

to conclude that $x \equiv z(\Theta)$.

Let $x \equiv y(\Theta)$; we claim that $x \vee t \equiv y \vee t(\Theta)$.

Indeed, $x \wedge y \equiv x \vee y(\Theta)$ by (i); thus by (iii), $(x \wedge y) \vee t \equiv x \vee y \vee t(\Theta)$

Since $x \vee t, y \vee t \in [(x \wedge y) \vee t, x \vee y \vee t]$, we conclude that $x \vee t \equiv y \vee t(\Theta)$.

To prove the substitution Property for \vee , let $x_0 \equiv y_0(\Theta)$ and $x_1 \equiv y_1(\Theta)$.

Then $x_0 \vee x_1 \equiv x_0 \vee y_1 \equiv y_0 \vee y_1(\Theta)$,

Implying that $x_0 \vee x_1 \equiv y_0 \vee y_1(\Theta)$, since Θ is transitive .

The substitution property for \wedge is similarly proved. ■

Lemma 2.1.3: $C(L)$ is a lattice . For $\Theta, \Phi \in C(L)$, $\Theta \wedge \Phi = \Theta \cap \Phi$.

The join $\Theta \vee \Phi$ can be described as follows:

$x \equiv y(\Theta \vee \Phi)$ if and only if there is a sequence $z_0 = x \wedge y$,

$z_1, \dots, z_{n-1} = x \vee y$ of elements of L such that $z_0 \leq z_1 \leq \dots \leq z_{n-1}$ and

for each i , $0 \leq i \leq n-1$, $z_i \equiv z_{i+1}(\Theta)$ or $z_i \equiv z_{i+1}(\Phi)$.

Proof: $\Theta \wedge \Phi = \Theta \cap \Phi$ is obvious. To prove the statement for the join ,let Ψ be the binary relation described in this theorem . Then $\Theta \subseteq \Psi$ and $\Phi \subseteq \Psi$ are obvious. If Γ is a congruence relation $\Theta \subseteq \Gamma$, $\Phi \subseteq \Gamma$ and $x \equiv y(\Psi)$ and $x \equiv y(\Psi)$, then for each i , either $z_i \equiv z_{i+1}(\Theta)$, $z_i \equiv z_{i+1}(\Gamma)$.By the transitivity of Γ , $x \wedge y \equiv x \vee y(\Gamma)$; thus $x \equiv y(\Gamma)$. Therefore, $\Psi \subseteq \Gamma$. this shows that if Ψ is a congruence relation , then $\Psi = \Theta \vee \Phi$. Ψ is obviously reflexive and satisfies Lemma 2.1.2. If $x \leq y \leq z$, $x \equiv y(\Psi)$ and $y \equiv z(\Psi)$ then $x \equiv z(\Psi)$ is established by putting together the sequences showing $x \equiv y(\Psi)$ and $y \equiv z(\Psi)$; this verifies Lemma 2.1.2(ii). To show lemma 2.1.2(iii), Let $x \equiv y(\Psi)$, $x \leq y$ with z_0, \dots, z_{i-1} establishing this, and $t \in L$. Then $x \wedge t \equiv y \wedge t(\Psi)$ and $x \vee t \equiv y \vee t(\Psi)$ can be shown with the

sequences $z_i \wedge t, 0 \leq i < n, z_i \vee t, 0 \leq i < n$, respectively. Thus the hypotheses of Lemma 2.1.2 hold for Ψ and we conclude that Ψ is a congruence relation. Homomorphism and congruence relations express two sides of the same phenomenon. To establish this fact we first define quotient lattices (also called factor lattices). Let L be a lattice and let Θ be a congruence relation on L . Let L/Θ denote the set of blocks of the Partition of L induced by Θ , that is $L/\Theta = \{[a]\Theta : a \in L\}$.

set
$$[a]\Theta \wedge [b]\Theta = [a \wedge b]\Theta$$
 and
$$[a]\Theta \vee [b]\Theta = [a \vee b]\Theta .$$

This defines \wedge and \vee on L/Θ . Indeed, if $[a]\Theta = [a_1]\Theta$ and $[b]\Theta = [b_1]\Theta$, then $a \equiv a_1(\Theta)$ and $b \equiv b_1(\Theta)$;

therefore, $a \wedge b \equiv a_1 \wedge b_1(\Theta)$, that is $[a \wedge b](\Theta) = [a_1 \wedge b_1]\Theta$. Thus \wedge and (dually) \vee are well defined on L/Θ . The lattice axioms are easily verified. The lattice L/Θ is the quotient lattice of L modulo Θ .

Example: the lattice L and a congruence sub lattice S of L that cannot be represented as $[a]\Theta$ for any congruence relation Θ of L .

Consider the lattice

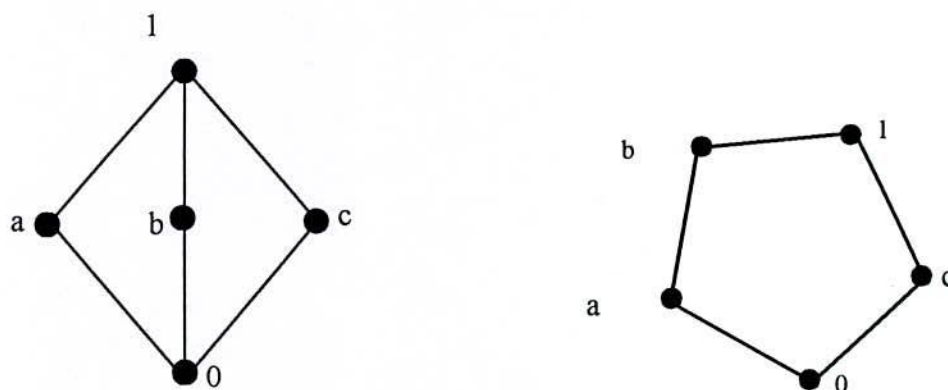


Figure 2.1

Consider the convex sub lattice $\{0, a\}$.

Now if $0 \equiv [a]\Theta$ for some congruence Θ

then $c \vee o \equiv c \vee a$ or, $c \vee [a] \Theta$

and $c \wedge b = c \wedge b \Theta$ or $o \equiv b \Theta$. This implies $b \in [a] \Theta$, i.e. *Convex sub lattice*. $\{o, a\}$ is not a *congruence class* for any *Congruence*. ■

Theorem 2.1.4: Construct a *lattice* that has exactly three *congruence relations*.

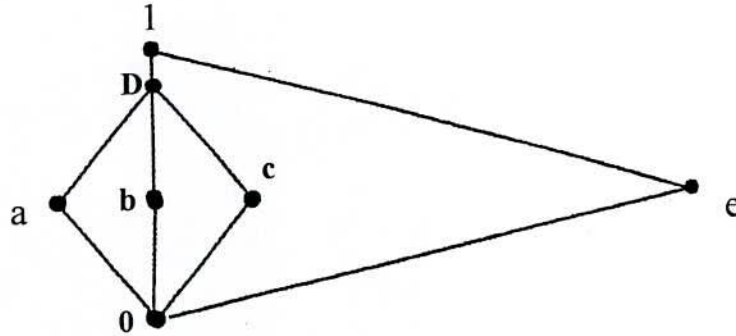


Figure-2.2

Observe that only *congruence* of above lattice are φ , 1 and Θ where $\Theta = \{o, a, b, c, 1\}, \{e, 1\}$, so above *lattice* has exactly three *congruence*.

Theorem 2.1.5: (THE HOMOMORPHISM THEOREM)

Every *homomorphic image* of a *lattice* L is isomorphic to a suitable *quotient lattice* of L . In fact, if $\varphi: L \rightarrow L_1$ is a homomorphism of L onto L_1 and if Θ is the *congruence relation* of L defined by $x \equiv y(\Theta)$ if and only if $x\varphi = y\varphi$, then $L/\Theta \cong L_1$; an isomorphism figure 1.14 is given by $\Psi: [x] \Theta \rightarrow x\varphi, x \in L$.

Proof: Since φ is a *homomorphism* and (Θ) is obviously a *congruence* to prove that Ψ is an isomorphism we need to check

i) Θ is well defined: Let $[x] \Theta = [y] \Theta$. Then $x \equiv y(\Theta)$; thus $x\varphi = y\varphi$

$$\Rightarrow ([x] \Theta) \Psi = ([y] \Theta) \Psi$$

i.e., Ψ is well defined.

- (ii) To show that Ψ is one-one $\Psi ([x](19)) = \Psi (y), \Theta \Rightarrow \varphi (x) = \varphi (y)$
then $x \equiv y (\Theta)$ and so $[x](\Theta) \equiv [y](\Theta)$. i.e., Ψ is one-one.
- (iii) To show that ψ is onto: Let $x \in L_1$. Since φ is onto, There is
 $\text{any } y \in L$ with $\varphi (y) = x$. Thus $([y]\Theta) \psi = x$. i.e., ψ is onto.
- (iv) To show that ψ is a homomorphism Let $[x]\Theta, [y]\Theta \in L/\Theta$,
therefore $\psi ([x]\Theta \wedge [y]\Theta) = \psi ([x \wedge y]\Theta) = \varphi (x \wedge y) = \varphi (x)$
 $\wedge (\varphi (y)) = \psi ([x]\Theta) \wedge \psi ([y]\Theta)$. And $\psi ([x]\Theta \vee [y]\Theta)$
 $= \psi ([x \vee y]\Theta) = \varphi (x \vee y) = \varphi (x) \vee (\varphi (y)) = \psi ([x]\Theta) \vee \psi ([y]\Theta)$
i.e., ψ is homomorphism then the theorem is proved. ■

Theorem: 2.1.6: L/Θ is a lattice under the operations \wedge and \vee defined
by $[a]\Theta \wedge [b]\Theta = [a \wedge b]\Theta$ and $[a]\Theta \vee [b]\Theta = [a \vee b]\Theta$.

Proof: Let L be a lattice and Θ be a congruence relation on L defined by
 $a_1 \equiv b_1 (\Theta)$ and $a_2 \equiv b_2 (\Theta)$ where $a_1 \wedge a_2 \equiv b_1 \wedge b_2 (\Theta)$ and
 $a_1 \vee a_2 \equiv b_1 \vee b_2 (\Theta)$. We also define $[a](\Theta) = \{x \in L / x \equiv a(\Theta)\}$.
Then $L/\Theta = \{[a]\Theta \mid a \in L\}$.

Now define \wedge and \vee on L by $[a]\Theta \wedge [b]\Theta = [a \wedge b]\Theta$ and $[a]\Theta \vee [b]\Theta =$
 $[a \vee b]\Theta$.

Idempotency: $[a]\Theta \wedge [a]\Theta = [a \wedge a]\Theta = [a]\Theta$ and $[a]\Theta \vee [a]\Theta = [a \vee a]$
 $\Theta = [a]\Theta$.

Commutativity: $[a]\Theta \wedge [b]\Theta = [a \wedge b]\Theta = [b \wedge a]\Theta = [b]\Theta \wedge [a]\Theta$.
 $[a]\Theta \vee [b]\Theta = [a \vee b]\Theta = [b \vee a]\Theta = [b]\Theta \vee [a]\Theta$.

Associativity: $[a]\Theta \wedge ([b]\Theta \wedge [c]\Theta) = [a]\Theta \wedge ([b \wedge c]\Theta)$.
 $= [a \wedge (b \wedge c)]\Theta = [(a \wedge b) \wedge c]\Theta$
 $= ([a \wedge b]\Theta) \wedge [c]\Theta = ([a]\Theta \wedge [b]\Theta) \wedge [c]\Theta$.

Similarly, $[a]\Theta \vee ([b]\Theta \vee [c]\Theta) = ([a]\Theta \vee [b]\Theta) \vee [c]\Theta$.

Absorption: $[a]\Theta \wedge ([a]\Theta \vee [b]\Theta) = [a]\Theta \wedge ([a \vee b]\Theta)$.
 $= [a \wedge (a \vee b)]\Theta = [a]\Theta$

$$\begin{aligned}
 [a] \ominus \vee ([a] \ominus \wedge [b] \ominus) &= [a] \ominus \vee ([a \wedge b] \ominus). \\
 &= [a \vee (a \wedge b)] \ominus = [a] \ominus.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence L/\ominus is a lattice. ■

Definition (Modular Lattice): A lattice L is called *modular lattice* if all $a, b, c \in L$ with $a \geq b$ then $a \wedge (b \vee c) = b \vee (a \wedge c)$.

Definition (Distributive Lattice): A lattice L is called *distributive lattice* if all $a, b, c \in L$, $a \wedge (b \vee c) = (a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge c)$

Lemma.2. 1.7: The following inequalities hold in any lattice

- i) $(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) \leq x \wedge (y \vee z)$
- ii) $x \vee (y \wedge z) \leq (x \vee y) \wedge (x \vee z)$
- iii) $(x \wedge y) \vee (y \wedge z) \vee (z \wedge x) \leq (x \vee y) \wedge (y \vee z) \wedge (z \vee x)$
- iv) $(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) \leq x \wedge (y \vee (x \wedge z))$

Proof: (i) In any lattice $x \wedge y \leq x$, $x \wedge y \leq y$, $y \leq y \vee z$

implies that $x \wedge y \leq x$, $x \wedge y \leq y \vee z$

implies that $x \wedge y$ is a lower of $\{ x, y \vee z \}$:

$$\therefore x \wedge y \leq x \wedge (y \vee z) \dots\dots\dots(i).$$

Again in any lattice $x \wedge z \leq x$, $x \wedge z \leq z$, $z \leq y \wedge z$

implies that $x \wedge z \leq x$, $x \wedge z \leq y \wedge z$

implies that $x \wedge z$ is a lower bound of $\{ x, y \wedge z \}$

$$\therefore x \wedge z \leq x \wedge (y \wedge z) \dots\dots\dots(ii).$$

From (i) and (ii) we can say that $x \wedge (y \wedge z)$ is upper bound of $\{ x \wedge y, x \wedge z \}$. Therefore $x \wedge (y \vee z) \leq (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$.

(ii) In any lattice, $x \leq x \vee y$, $y \leq x \vee y$, $y \wedge z \leq y$

implies that $x \vee y \geq x$, $x \vee y \geq y \geq y \wedge z$

implies that $x \vee y \geq x$, $x \vee y \geq y \wedge z$.

Implies that $x \vee y$ is upper bound of $\{ x, y \wedge z \}$.

$$\therefore x \vee y \geq x \vee (y \wedge z).$$

Implies that $x \vee (y \wedge z) \leq x \vee y \dots\dots\dots (iii)$

Again, $x \leq x \vee z$, $z \leq x \vee z$, $y \wedge z \leq z$

implies that $x \vee z \geq x$, $x \vee z \geq z$, $z \geq y \vee z$

implies that $x \vee z \geq x$, $x \vee z \geq y \wedge z$

implies that $x \vee z$ is upper bound of $\{x, y \wedge z\}$(iv).

Form (iii) and (iv) we get $x \vee (y \wedge z)$ is a lower bound of $\{x \vee y, x \vee z\}$.

There fore $x \vee (y \wedge z) \leq (x \vee y) \wedge (x \vee z)$.

(iii) Any lattice, $x \wedge y \leq x$, $x \leq x \vee y$

Implies that $x \wedge y \leq x \vee y$ (v)

Again $x \wedge y \leq y$, $y \leq y \vee z$

Implies that $x \wedge y \leq y \vee z$ (vi).

Also $x \wedge y \leq x$, $x \leq z \vee x$

Implies that $x \wedge y \leq z \vee x$ (vii).

Form (v), (vi), (vii) we can say that

$x \wedge y$ is lower bound of $\{x \vee y, y \vee z, z \vee x\}$,

$\therefore x \wedge y \leq (x \vee y) \wedge (y \vee z) \wedge (z \vee x)$(A).

Again $y \wedge z \leq y$, $y \leq x \vee y$

implies that $y \wedge z \leq x \vee y$(viii).

Also $y \wedge z \leq z$, $z \leq y \vee z$

Implies that $y \wedge z \leq y \vee z$ (ix)

and $y \wedge z \leq z$, $z \leq z \vee x$.

$\therefore y \wedge z \leq z \vee x$(x).

From (viii), (ix) and (x) we can say that

$y \wedge z$ is lower bound of $\{x \vee y, y \vee z, z \vee x\}$.

$\therefore y \wedge z \leq (x \vee y) \wedge (y \vee z) \wedge (z \vee x)$(B).

Similarly, $z \wedge x \leq (x \vee y) \wedge (y \vee z) \wedge (z \vee x)$(C).

From (A), (B) and (C) we can say that

$(x \vee y) \wedge (y \vee z) \wedge (z \vee x)$ is upper bound of $\{x \wedge y, y \wedge z, z \wedge x\}$.

$\therefore (x \vee y) \wedge (y \vee z) \wedge (z \vee x) \leq (x \wedge y) \vee (y \wedge z) \vee (z \wedge x)$

iv) Since $x \wedge y \leq x \wedge z \leq x$,

So we get $(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) \leq x \dots \dots \dots (xi)$,

And $x \wedge y \leq y \leq y \vee (x \wedge z)$ and $x \wedge z \leq y \vee (x \wedge z)$

$\therefore (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) \leq y \vee (x \wedge z) \dots \dots \dots (xii)$

From (xi) and (xii) we get $(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) \leq x \wedge (y \vee (x \wedge z))$. ■

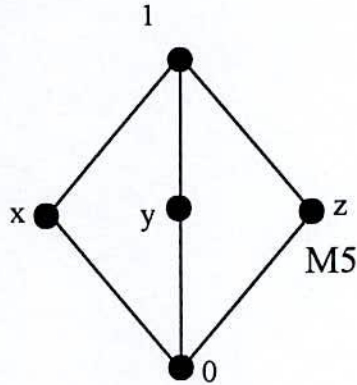
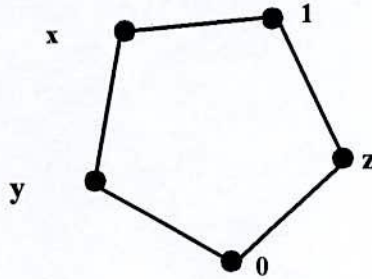


Figure 2.3

Example: The *pentagonal lattice* is not modular.



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Figure-2.4

Here, $x \wedge (y \vee z) = x \wedge 1 = x$

And $y \vee (x \wedge z) = y \vee 0 = y$

Since $x \wedge (y \vee z) \neq y \vee (x \wedge z)$

Hence the *pentagonal lattice* is not modular. ■

Theorem.2.1.8: Two lattices L_1 and L_2 are modular if $L_1 \times L_2$ is Modular

Proof: Let L_1 and L_2 be modular. Let $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), (x_3, y_3) \in L_1 \times L_2$ be three elements with $(x_1, y_1) \geq (x_3, y_3)$.

Then $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in L_1, x_1 \geq x_3, y_1, y_2, y_3 \in L_2, y_1 \geq y_3$

and since L_1 and L_2 are Modular.

We get $x_1 \wedge (x_2 \vee x_3) = (x_1 \wedge x_2) \vee x_3, y_1 \wedge (y_2 \vee y_3) = (y_1 \wedge y_2) \vee y_3$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } (x_1, y_1) \wedge [(x_2, y_2) \vee (x_3, y_3)] \\ &= (x_1, y_1) \wedge [x_2 \vee x_3, y_2 \vee y_3] \\ &= (x_1 \wedge (x_2 \vee x_3), y_1 \wedge (y_2 \vee y_3)) \\ &= ((x_1 \wedge x_2) \vee x_3, (y_1 \wedge y_2) \vee y_3) \\ &= ((x_1 \wedge x_2, y_1 \wedge y_2) \vee (x_3, y_3)) \\ &= [(x_1, y_1) \wedge (x_2, y_2)] \vee (x_3, y_3) \end{aligned}$$

Hence $L_1 \times L_2$ is modular.

Conversely, Let $L_1 \times L_2$ be modular. Let $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in L_1, x_1 \geq x_3$ and $y_1, y_2, y_3 \in L_2, y_1 \geq y_3$ then $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), (x_3, y_3) \in L_1 \times L_2$ and $(x_1, y_1) \geq (x_3, y_3)$. Since $L_1 \times L_2$ is modular.

We find $(x_1, y_1) \wedge [(x_2, y_2) \vee (x_3, y_3)] = [(x_1, y_1) \wedge (x_2, y_2)] \vee (x_3, y_3)$

Or, $(x_1, y_1) \wedge [(x_2 \vee x_3), (y_2 \vee y_3)] = [(x_1 \wedge x_2), (y_1 \wedge y_2) \vee (x_3, y_3)]$

Or, $(x_1 \wedge (x_2 \vee x_3), y_1 \wedge (y_2 \vee y_3)) = ((x_1 \wedge x_2) \vee x_3, (y_1 \wedge y_2) \vee y_3)$

Or, $x_1 \wedge (x_2 \vee x_3) = (x_1 \wedge x_2) \vee x_3, y_1 \wedge (y_2 \vee y_3) = (y_1 \wedge y_2) \vee y_3$

$\therefore L_1$ and L_2 are modular. ■

Theorem.2.1.9: If a, b are any elements of a modular lattice then $[a \wedge b, a] \cong [b, a \vee b]$

Proof: We know an interval in a *lattice* is a *sub lattice*. We establish the isomorphism define a map $\psi: [a \wedge b, a] \rightarrow [b, a \vee b]$ such that $\psi(x) = x \vee b, x \in [a \wedge b, a]$. Then ψ is well defined as $x \in [a \wedge b, a]$

implies that $a \wedge b \leq x \leq a$

implies that $(a \wedge b) \vee b \leq x \vee b \leq a \vee b$

implies that $b \leq x \vee b \leq a \vee b$

implies that $x \vee b \in [b, a \vee b]$. also $x_1 = x_2$.

implies that $x_1 \vee b = x_2 \vee b$

implies that $\psi(x_1) = \psi(x_2)$,

ψ is one-one as let $\psi(x_1) = \psi(x_2)$ then $x_1 \vee b = x_2 \vee b$

implies that $a \wedge (x_1 \vee b) = a \wedge (x_2 \vee b)$

implies that $x_1 \vee (a \wedge b) = x_2 \vee (a \wedge b)$

implies that $x_1 = x_2$,

ψ is onto as let $y \in [b, a \vee b]$ be any element.

We show that $a \wedge y$ is the required pre-image.

$y \in [b, a \vee b]$ implies that $b \leq y \leq a \vee b$

implies that $a \wedge b \leq a \wedge y \leq a \wedge (a \vee b)$

implies that $a \wedge b \leq a \wedge y \leq a$

implies that $a \wedge y \in [a \wedge b, a]$.

Also, $\psi(a \wedge b) = (a \wedge y) \vee b$, so we need show $y = (a \wedge y) \vee b$

Now, $y \leq a \vee b$ implies that $y \wedge (a \vee b) = y$

Implies that $y = y \wedge (b \vee a) = b \vee (y \wedge a)$.

Hence ψ is onto.

Again, $x_1 \leq x_2$, implies that $x_1 \vee b \leq x_2 \vee b$

Implies that $\psi(x_1) \leq \psi(x_2)$

Now, $x_1 \vee b \leq x_2 \vee b$ Implies that $a \wedge (x_1 \vee b) \leq a \wedge (x_2 \vee b)$

Implies that $x_1 \vee (a \wedge b) \leq x_2 \vee (a \wedge b)$

Implies that $x_1 \leq x_2$.

Thus $x_1 \leq x_2$

Implies that $\psi(x_1) \leq \psi(x_2)$.

Hence ψ is an *isomorphism*. ■

Theorem.2.1.10: A lattice L is *modular* if it does not contain a *Sub lattice isomorphic to pentagonal lattice*.

Proof: Suppose a lattice L is *modular*, then its every *sub lattice* is also *modular*; Since $N = \{0, a, b, c, 1\}$

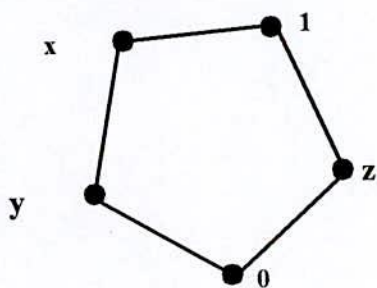


Figure 2.5

Where $b \leq a$, $a \wedge b = a \wedge c = b \wedge c = 0$ and $a \vee b = a \vee c = b \vee c = 1$ is not *Modular* So, L does not contain any *sub lattice isomorphic to N*

To prove the converse, let L is not *modular*, then there exists elements $x, y, z \in L$ with $z \leq x$ such that $x \wedge (y \vee z) \neq (x \wedge y) \vee z$. But $x \wedge (y \vee z) > (x \wedge y) \vee z$. Then the elements $x \wedge y$, y , $(x \wedge y) \vee z$, $x \wedge (y \vee z)$, $y \vee z$ form a *lattice*

Diagram as follows:

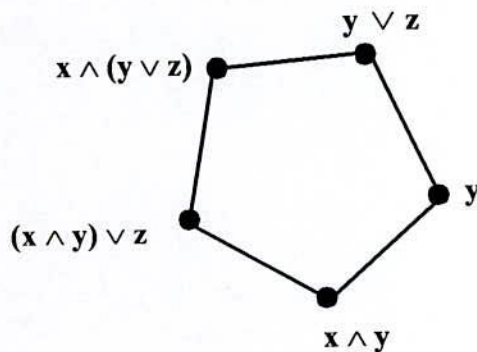


Figure-2.6

Observe that $(x \wedge (y \vee z)) \wedge y = x \wedge [(y \vee z) \wedge y] = x \wedge y$

And so, $y \wedge ((x \wedge y) \vee z) = x \wedge y$

Again, $y \vee ((x \wedge y) \vee z) = [y \vee (y \wedge x)] \vee z = y \vee z$

And so, $y \vee (x \wedge (y \vee z)) = y \vee z$. If $y = x \wedge y$ then we have $y \leq x$

And so, $y \vee z = (x \wedge y) \vee z$,

Also, $y \leq x$ and $z \leq x$ implies that $y \vee z \leq x$ and so $x \wedge (y \vee z) = y \vee z$,

So we have $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee z$ which gives a contradiction. Since

L is not *modular*. So $y \neq x \wedge y$. Similarly, we can show that

$(x \wedge y) \vee z \neq x \wedge y$, $y \neq y \vee z$, $x \wedge (y \vee z) \neq y \vee z$

Hence the five elements are distinct and they form a *sub lattice* of L .

which is isomorphic to N_5 . Hence L is *modular*.

A lattice $\langle L; \wedge, \vee \rangle$ is called *distributive lattice* if for all $x, y, z \in L$,

$x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$, dually, $x \vee (y \wedge z) = (x \vee y) \wedge (x \vee z)$ of

course every *distributive lattice* is *modular*. ■

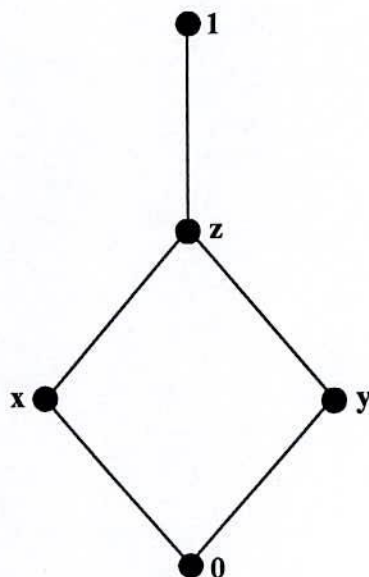


Figure -2.7

Theorem: 2.1.11: Two lattices L_1 and L_2 are distributive if $L_1 \times L_2$ is distributive.

Proof: Let L_1 , and L_2 are distributive, let $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), (x_3, y_3)$ be any three elements of $L_1 \times L_2$ then $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in L_1, y_1, y_2, y_3, \in L_2$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, } (x_1, y_1) \wedge [(x_2, y_2) \vee (x_3, y_3)] &= (x_1, y_1) \wedge (x_2 \vee x_3, y_2 \vee y_3) \\
 &= (x_1 \wedge (x_2 \vee x_3), y_1 \wedge (y_2 \vee y_3)) \\
 &= ((x_1 \wedge x_2) \vee (x_1 \wedge x_3), (y_1 \wedge y_2) \vee (y_1 \wedge y_3)) \\
 &= [(x_1 \wedge x_2, y_1 \wedge y_2) \vee (x_1 \wedge x_3, y_1 \wedge y_3)] \\
 &= [(x_1, y_1) \wedge (x_2, y_2)] \vee [(x_1, y_1) \wedge (x_3, y_3)]
 \end{aligned}$$

Shows $L_1 \times L_2$ is distributive.

Conversely, Let $L_1 \times L_2$ be distributive.

let $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in L_1$ and $y_1, y_2, y_3 \in L_2$ be any elements, then

$(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), (x_3, y_3) \in L_1 \times L_2$ and as $L_1 \times L_2$ is distributive.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x_1, y_1) \wedge [(x_2, y_2) \vee (x_3, y_3)] \\
 = [(x_1, y_1) \wedge (x_2, y_2)] \vee [(x_1, y_1) \wedge (x_3, y_3)]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{i.e., } (x_1, y_1) \wedge (x_2 \vee x_3, y_2 \vee y_3) = (x_1 \wedge x_2, y_1 \wedge y_2) \vee (x_1 \wedge x_3, y_1)$$

$$\text{or, } ((x_1 \wedge (x_2 \vee x_3), y_1 \wedge (y_2 \vee y_3)))$$

$$= ((x_1 \wedge x_2) \vee (x_1 \wedge x_3), (y_1 \wedge y_2) \vee (y_1 \wedge y_3))$$

$$\text{Which gives, } x_1 \wedge (x_2 \vee x_3) = (x_1 \wedge x_2) \vee (x_1 \wedge x_3)$$

$$y_1 \wedge (y_2 \vee y_3) = (y_1 \wedge y_2) \vee (y_1 \wedge y_3)$$

implies that L_1 and L_2 are *distributive*. ■

Theorem: 2.1.12: A *distributive lattice* is always *modular* but

Converse is not true.

Proof: Suppose L is *distributive*, let $a, b, c \in L$ with $c \leq a$,

then $a \wedge (b \vee c) = (a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge c) = (a \wedge b) \vee c$, Thus L is *modular*.

Conversely, consider the *lattice*

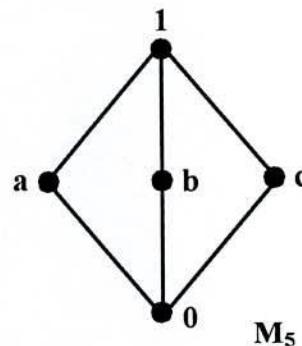


Figure -2.8

It is says to check that M_5 is *modular*: $a \wedge (b \vee c) = a \wedge 1 = a$,

$$(a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge c) = 0 \vee 0 = 0 \text{ i.e., } a \wedge (b \vee c) \neq (a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge c).$$

Therefore L is not *distributive*. ■

Theorem 2.1.13: Let L be a *distributive lattice*, I be an *ideal*. Let D be a *dual ideal* of L and let $I \cap D = \Phi$ Then there exists a *prime ideal* P of L such that $P \supseteq I$.

Proof: Let X be the set of all *ideals* of L containing I that are disjoint form D . Clearly X is non empty as $I \in X$.

Let C be a chain in X and Let $M = U \{X \mid X \in C\}$. If $a, b \in M$ then $a \wedge X, b \wedge Y$, for some $X, Y \in C$. Since C is chain either $X \subseteq Y$ or $Y \subseteq X$.

Suppose $X \subseteq Y$ then $a, b \in Y$. Since Y is an ideal $a \vee b \in Y \subseteq M$.

Also if $a \in M$ and $b \leq a$, then $a \in X$ for some $X \in C$.

Since X is an ideal, so $b \in X \subseteq M$. Therefore M is an ideal contain I .

Obviously $M \cap D = \Phi$. Hence $M \in C$,

so by zorn's Lemma, X has a maximal element, say P ,

We claim that p is a prime ideal.

If P is not prime, then there exists $a, b \in L$ with $a, b \in P$ such that $a \wedge b \in P$.

By the maximality of P $((a] \vee P) \cap D \neq \emptyset, ((b] \vee P) \cap D \neq \emptyset$

Let $p \vee a \in D$ and $q \vee b \in D$ for some $p, q \in P$

Then $x = (p \vee q) \wedge (a \vee b) = (p \wedge q) \vee (a \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge b) \in P$

Which implies that $x \in P \cap D$ which gives a contradiction.

Therefore \emptyset must be a *prime ideal*. ■

Theorem 2.1.14: *Dual of a distributive lattice is distributive.*

Proof: Let $\langle L; \wedge, \vee \rangle$ be *distributive* and $\langle L; \wedge, \vee \rangle$ be its *dual*.

Now for any $a, b, c \in L=L, a \wedge^d \wedge (b \vee^d c) = a(b \wedge c) = (a \vee b) \wedge (a \vee c) = (a \wedge^d b) \vee^d (a \wedge^d c)$ as L is *distributive*.

This implies that L is also *distributive*. ■

2. Complemented and Boolean lattices.

Definition (Complemented Lattice): In a bounded lattice L , a is a complement of b if $a \wedge b = 0$ and $a \vee b = 1$. A *complemented lattice* is a bounded lattice in which every element has a complement.

Now, let $[a, b]$ be an interval in a lattice L . Let $x \in [a, b]$ be any element. If there exists $y \in L$ such that $x \wedge y = a, x \vee y = b$. We say y is a complement of x relative to $[a, b]$ or y is relative complement of x in $[a, b]$. In every element x of an interval $[a, b]$ has at least one complement relative to $[a, b]$, the interval $[a, b]$ is said to complement. Further, if every interval in a lattice is complement, the lattice is said to relative complemented.

Theorem 2.2.1: Two lattices L_1 and L_2 are relatively complemented if and only if $L_1 \times L_2$ is relatively complemented.

Proof: Let L_1 and L_2 be relatively complemented. Let $[(x_1, y_1)(x_2, y_2)]$ be any interval of $L_1 \times L_2$ and suppose (a, b) is any element of this interval. Then $(x_1, y_1) \leq (a, b) \leq (x_2, y_2)$ where $x_1, y_1, a \in L_1$ and $y_1, y_2, b \in L_2$. implies that $x_1 \leq a \leq x_2, y_1 \leq b \leq y_2$.

implies that $a \in [x_1, x_2]$ an interval in L_1 and $b \in [y_1, y_2]$ be an interval in L_2 . Since L_1, L_2 are relatively complemented, a, b have complements relative to $[x_1, x_2]$ and $[y_1, y_2]$ respectively.

Let a' and b' be these complements,

Then $a \wedge a' = x_1, a \vee a' = x_2, b \wedge b' = y_2$.

Now, $(a, b) \wedge (a', b') = (a \vee a', b \wedge b') = (x_1, x_2)$

$(a, b) \wedge (a', b') = (a \vee a', b \wedge b') = (y_1, y_2)$

i.e, (a', b') is complement of (a, b) relative to $[(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)]$. Thus any interval in $L_1 \times L_2$ is complemented. Hence $L_1 \times L_2$ is relatively complemented.

Conversely, Let $L_1 \times L_2$ be relatively complemented, Let $[x_1, x_2]$ and $[y_1, y_2]$ be intervals in L_1 and L_2 . Let $a \in [x_1, x_2]$ and $b \in [y_1, y_2]$ be any elements. Then $x_1 \leq a \leq x_2, y_1 \leq b \leq y_2$

implies that $(x_1, y_1) \leq (a, b) \leq (x_2, y_2)$

implies that $(a, b) \in [(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)]$ an interval in $L_1 \times L_2$

. implies that (a, b) has a complement, say (a', b') relative to this interval.

Thus $(a, b) \wedge (a', b') = (x_1, y_1)$

$$(a, b) \vee (a', b') = (x_2, y_2)$$

implies that $(a \vee a', b \wedge b') = (x_1, y_1)$

$(a \vee a', b \wedge b') = (x_2, y_2)$ implies that $a \wedge a' = x_1, a \vee a' = x_2$

$$b \wedge b' = y_1, b \vee b' = y_2$$

implies that a' , is complement of a relative to $[x_1, x_2]$, b' is complement of b relative to $[y_1, y_2]$.

Hence L_1 and L_2 are relative complemented. ■

Theorem 2.2.2: A complemented *modular lattice* is relatively complemented.

Proof: Let L be a complemented *modular lattice*. Let $[a, b]$ be any interval in L and $x \in [a, b]$ be any element, Since L is complemented, x has a complement, say x' . Then $y = a \vee (b \wedge x')$

$$x \wedge x' = 0, x' = 1, a \leq x \leq b.$$

$$\text{Take } y = a \vee (b \wedge x')$$

$$\text{Then } x \wedge y = x[a \vee (b \wedge x')]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= a \vee (x \wedge (b \wedge x')) \text{ [as } x \geq a, L \text{ is modular]} \\
&= a \vee (b \wedge x, b \wedge x') \\
&= a \vee (b \wedge 0) \\
&= a \vee 0 \\
&= a
\end{aligned}$$

$$x \vee y = x \vee [a \vee (b \wedge x')] = (x \vee a) \vee (b \wedge x') = x \vee (b \wedge x') = b \wedge (x \vee x') = b \wedge 1 = b.$$

Hence $y = a \vee (b \wedge x')$ is relative complement of x in $[a, b]$. ■

Theorem 2.2.3: Let L be a distributive lattice and let $a \in L$ then the map $\varphi: x \rightarrow \langle x \wedge a, x \vee a \rangle$, $x \in L$ is an embedding of L into $[a] \times [a]$:

it is an isomorphism if a has a complement.

Proof: $\varphi: L \rightarrow [a] \times [a]$ is defined by $\varphi(x) = \langle x \wedge a, x \vee a \rangle$

for any $x, y \in L$

$$\begin{aligned}
\varphi(x \wedge y) &= \langle (x \wedge y) \wedge a, (x \wedge y) \vee a \rangle \\
&= \langle (x \wedge a) \wedge (y \wedge a), (x \vee a) \wedge (y \vee a) \rangle \\
&= \langle x \wedge a, x \vee a \rangle \wedge \langle y \wedge a, y \vee a \rangle \\
&= \varphi(x) \wedge \varphi(y)
\end{aligned}$$

i.e. φ is a homomorphism.

Let $\varphi(x) = \varphi(y)$, then $\langle x \wedge a, x \vee a \rangle = \langle y \wedge a, y \vee a \rangle$

implies that $x \wedge a = y \wedge a$ and $x \vee a = y \vee a$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Now, } x &= x \wedge (x \vee a) = x \wedge (y \vee a) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge a) \\
&= (x \wedge y) \vee (y \wedge a) = y \wedge (x \vee a) = y \wedge (y \vee a) = y
\end{aligned}$$

i.e. φ is one- one.

Now suppose a has a complement a' . To show on tones.

Let $\langle r, s \rangle \in [a] \times [a]$,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } [(a' \wedge s) \vee r] \wedge a &= (a' \wedge s \wedge a) \vee (r \wedge a) = 0 \vee (r \wedge a) \\ &= r \wedge a = r \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and } [(a \wedge s) \vee r] \vee a = (a \vee r \vee a) \wedge (s \vee r \vee a) = 1 \wedge (s \vee r \vee a) = s$$

$$\text{i.e. } \langle r, s \rangle = [(a' \wedge s) \vee r] \wedge a, [(a' \wedge s) \vee a] \vee a = \varphi(a' \wedge s) \vee r$$

So φ is onto and hence $L \cong (a) \times (a)$. ■

Definition (Boolean Lattice): A complemented *distributive lattice* is called a *Boolean lattice*.

Since complements are unique in a *Boolean lattice* we can regard a *Boolean lattice* as an algebra with two binary operations \wedge and \vee and one unary operation $'$. *Boolean lattices* so considered are called *Boolean algebras*. In other words, by a *Boolean algebra*, we mean a system $\langle L, \wedge, \vee, ', 0, 1 \rangle$ where L is a non empty set with the binary operations \wedge and \vee and a unary operation $'$, and nullary operations $0, 1$ is called a *Boolean algebra* if it satisfy the following condition:

- i) $a \wedge a = a, a \vee a = a, \forall a \in L$
- ii) $a \wedge b = b \wedge a, a \vee b = b \vee a, \forall a, b \in L$
- iii) $a \wedge (b \wedge c) = (a \wedge b) \wedge c, a \vee (b \vee c) = (a \vee b) \vee c, \forall a, b, c \in L$
- iv) $a \wedge (a \vee b) = a, a \vee (a \wedge b) = a, \forall a, b \in L$
- v) $a \wedge (b \vee c) = (a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge c), \forall a, b, c \in L$
- vi) There exists $0 \in L, 1 \in L$ such that $a \vee 0 = a, a \wedge 1 = a \forall a \in L$
- vii) Each $a \in L, a' \in L$ such that $a \wedge a' = 0, a \vee a' = 1$
- viii) $0' = 1$
- ix) $1' = 0$
- x) $(a \wedge b)' = a' \vee b'$
- xi) $(a \vee b)' = a' \wedge b'$

Theorem 2.2.4: The infinite distributive laws hold in a complete Boolean algebra.

Proof: We have for distributive lattice $y \wedge (\vee x_i) = \vee (y \wedge x_i)$, even when there are infinitely many terms in the unions. These unions certainly exist since the lattice is complete.

Let $z = \vee (y \wedge x_i)$ then $y \wedge x_i \leq z$

and $x_i \leq y' \vee x_i = y' \vee (y \wedge x_i) = y' \vee z$ for each i .

Hence $\vee x_i \leq y' \vee z$ and so $y \wedge (\vee x_i) \leq y \wedge (y' \vee z) = y \wedge z \leq z$.

That is to say $y \wedge (\vee x_i) = \vee (y \wedge x_i)$.

We therefore have by anti-symmetric property the distributive law $y \wedge (\vee x_i) = \vee (y \wedge x_i)$. Its dual may be obtained in the same way. ■

An element a of a lattice is called join irreducible if $a = b \vee c$ implies either $a = b$ or $a = c$.

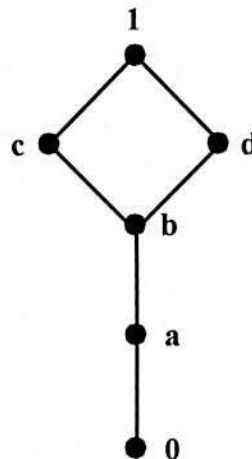


Figure 2.9

Here 1 is not join-irreducible but a, b, c, d all are join-irreducible.

Now zero join-irreducible element x which cover 0.

i.e. $x, 0$ are called atoms.

[a, b means $b \leq a$ and if $b \leq c \leq a$ then either $b = c$ or $a = c$]

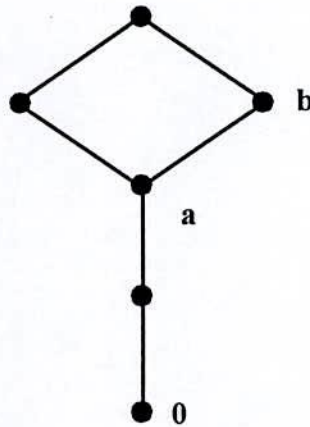


Figure-2.1o

Theorem.2.2.5: In a *Boolean lattice* $x \neq 0$ be join- irreducible if and only if x is an atom.

Proof: Let L be a *Boolean lattice* and let $x \neq 0$ be join- irreducible. We have to show that x is an atom.

Let $t \in [0, x]$ then there exists t' such that $t \wedge t' = 0, t \vee t' = x$. Since x is join- irreducible, then either $t = x$ or $t' = 0$. If $t = x$ then $t' = 0$ $\therefore t = t \wedge x = t \wedge t' = 0$ implies that x is an atom.

Conversely, Let x is an atom. We have to prove that x is join- irreducible.

Let $a \vee b = x$, then $0 \leq a \leq x, 0 \leq b \leq x$ implies that $0 = a$ or $a = x; 0 = b$ or $b = x$ implies that x is join- irreducible. ■

CHAPTER THREE

PSEUDOCOMPLEMENTED LATTICE.

Introduction: In lattice theory there are difference classes of *lattice* knows as variety, Of course the most powerful variety. Throughout this chapter we will be concerned with another large variety known as the class of *distributive pseudocomplemented lattice*. *Pseudocomplemented lattice* have been studied by several authors [9], [10], [13], [14], [15], [16]. There are two concepts that we should be able to distinguish a *lattice* $\langle L; \wedge, \vee \rangle$ in which every element has a *pseudocomplement* and an algebra, $\langle L; \wedge, \vee, *, 0, 1 \rangle$. Where $\langle L; \wedge, \vee, 0, 1 \rangle$ is a bounded *lattice* and where, for every $a \in L$, the element a^* is a *pseudocomplement* of a . We shall call the former a *pseudocomplemented lattice* and the later a *lattice* with pseudocomplementation (as an operation). In this chapter we have also studied *algebraic lattice*.

Construction of pseudocomplemented lattices.

Let L be a bounded *distributive lattice*, let $a \in L$, an element $a^* \in L$ is called a *pseudocomplement* of a in L if the following conditions hold:

(i) $a \wedge a^* = 0$, (ii) $\forall x \in L, a \wedge x = 0$ implies that $x \leq a^*$

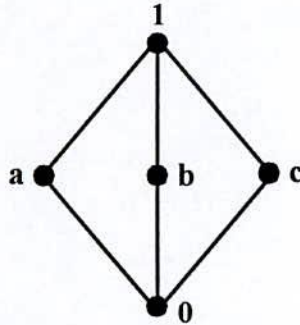


Figure 3.1

a has no pseudocomplement.

A bounded *lattice* L is called a *pseudocomplemented lattice* if its every element has a *pseudocomplement*.

Example :

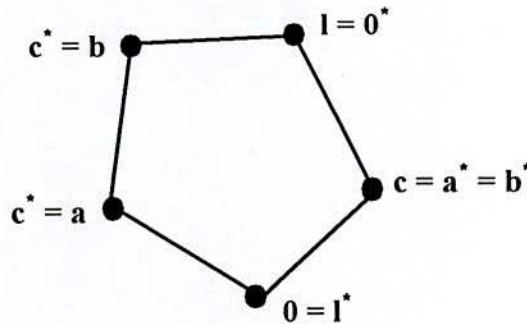


Figure 3.2

The *lattice* $L = \{0, a, b, c, 1\}$ show by the figure 3.2 is *pseudocomplemented*.

An algebra, $\langle L; \wedge, \vee, *, 0, 1 \rangle$ where \wedge and \vee are binary operations, $*$ is a unary operation and $0, 1$ are nullary operations is called a *lattice with pseudocomplementation* if.

- i) $\langle L, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1 \rangle$ is bounded lattice
- ii) $*$ is a unary operation i.e. $\forall a \in L$ there exists a^* such that $a \wedge a^* = 0$ and $a \wedge x = 0$ implies that $x \wedge a^* = x, \forall x \in L$.

A bounded *distributive lattice* L is called a *pseudocomplemented distributive lattice* if its every element has a *pseudocomplement*.

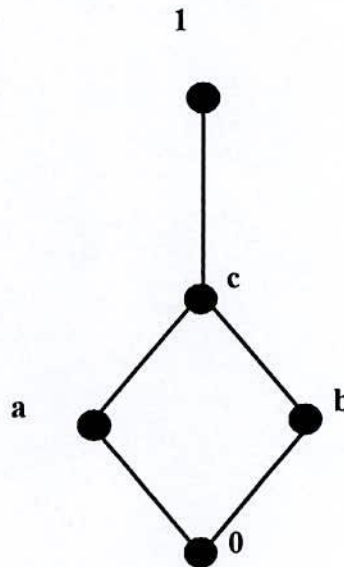


Figure – 3.3

1. Pseudocomplemented distributive lattice.

To see the difference in view point, consider the finite *distributive lattice* of figure (3.3). As a *distributive lattice* it has twenty-five *sublattice* and eight *congruences*; as a lattice with pseudocomplementation it has three subalgebras and five *congruencies*.

L as lattice:

Sub lattice: $\{0\}, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{1\}, \{0, a\}, \{0, b\}, \{0, c\}, \{0, 1\}, \{0, a, b, c\}, L,$

$\{a, c\}, \{a, c, 1\}, \{b, c\},$

$\{a, 1\}, \{b, 1\}, \{b, c, 1\}, \{c, 1\}, \{0, a, 1\}, \{0, b, 1\}, \{0, c, 1\}, \{0, a, c\},$

$\{0, b, c\}, \{0, a, c, 1\} \{0, b, c, 1\} = 25:$

L as a lattice with pseudocomplementation $\{0, 1\}, L, \{0, c, 1\}$

Congruence:

As a lattice:

$\omega = \{0\}, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{1\}$

$\tau = \{0, a, b, c, 1\}$

$0 = \{0, a\}, \{b, c\}, \{1\}$

$\varphi = \{0, a\}, \{b, c, 1\}$

$\psi = \{0, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{1\}$

$\iota = \{0, b\}, \{a, c, 1\}$

$\zeta = \{0, a, b, c\}, \{1\}$

$\eta = \{c, 1\}, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{0\}$

Congruence as a lattice with pseudocomplementation $\omega, \tau, \varphi, \iota, \eta$

Theorem 3.1.1: Let *L* be a pseudocomplemented distributive lattice.

$S(L) = \{a^* / a \in L\}$ and $D(L) = \{a / a^* = 0\}$. Then for $a, b, \in L$:

(i) $a \wedge a^* = 0$

(ii) $a \leq b$ implies that $a^* \geq b^*$

- (iii) $a \leq a^{**}$
- (iv) $a^* = a^{***}$
- (v) $(a \vee b)^* = a^* \wedge b^*$
- (vi) $(a \wedge b)^{**} = a^{**} \wedge b^{**}$
- (vii) $a \wedge b = 0$ iff $a^{**} \wedge b^{**} = 0$
- (viii) $a \wedge (a \wedge b)^* = a \wedge b^*$
- (ix) $0^* = 1$ and $1^* = 0$
- (x) $a \in S(L)$ iff $a = a^{**}$
- (xi) $a, b \in S(L)$ implies that $a \wedge b \in S(L)$
- (xii) $\text{Sup}_{S(L)} \{a, b\} = (a \vee b)^{**} = (a^* \wedge b^*)^*$
- (xiii) $0, 1 \in S(L), 1 \in D(L)$ and $S(L) \cap D(L) = \{1\}$
- (xiv) $a, b \in D(L)$ implies that $a \wedge b \in D(L)$
- (xv) $a \in D(L)$ and $a \leq b$ implies that $b \in D(L)$
- (xvi) $a \vee a^* \in D(L)$
- (xvii) $x \rightarrow x^{**}$ is a meet-homomorphism of L onto $S(L)$

Proof: (i) By the definition of pseudocomplement, $a \wedge a^* = 0, \forall a \in L$.

(ii) For $b \wedge b^* = 0$ and $a \leq b \Rightarrow a \wedge b^* = 0$ which implies $a^* \geq b^*$

(iii) By the definition of pseudocomplement $a \wedge a^* = a^* \wedge a = 0$

Similarly, $a^* \wedge (a^*)^* = 0 \Rightarrow a^* \wedge a^{**} = 0$ and $a^* \wedge a = 0 \Rightarrow a^* \leq a^{**}$,
 $\Rightarrow a \leq a^{**}$. Hence $a \leq a^{**}$.

(iv) From (iii) we have $a \leq a^{**}$

implies that $a^* \geq a^{**}$ (A) [by (ii)]

Again $a^* \wedge a^{**} = 0$, i.e. $a^{**} \wedge a^* = 0$.

Similarly $a^{**} \wedge (a^{**})^* = 0$, implies that $a^{**} \wedge a^{***} = 0$,

and $a^{**} \wedge a^* = 0$ implies that $a^* \leq a^{***}$ (B).

From (A) and (B)

We have $a^* = a^{***}$ Hence $a^* = a^{***}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(v) We have } (a \vee b) \wedge (a^* \wedge b^*) &= (a \wedge a^* \wedge b^*) \vee (b \wedge a^* \wedge b^*) \\
&= (0 \wedge b^*) \vee (a^* \wedge 0) \quad [\text{by (i) }] \\
&= 0 \vee 0 \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Let $(a \vee b) \wedge x = 0$

implies that $(a \wedge x) \vee (b \wedge x) = 0$

implies that $a \wedge x = 0$ and $b \wedge x = 0$

implies that $x \leq a^*$ and $x \leq b^*$

Implies that $x \leq a^* \wedge b^*$

There fore $a^* \wedge b^*$ is the *pseudocomplement* of $a \vee b$.

Hence $(a \vee b)^* = a^* \wedge b^*$.

(vi) Let $a, b \in L$ implies that $a^*, b^* \in L$ implies that $a^{**}, b^{**} \in S(L)$.

implies that $a^{**} \wedge b^{**} \in S(L)$. But $a^{**} \wedge b^{**}$ is the smallest element of $S(L)$ containing $a \wedge b$. So $(a \wedge b)^{**} = a^{**} \wedge b^{**}$.

(vii) If $a \wedge b = 0$ by (vi) then $a^{**} \wedge b^{**} = (a \wedge b)^{**} = 0^{**} = 0$.

So $a^{**} \wedge b^{**} = 0$.

Conversely, if $a^{**} \wedge b^{**} = 0$ by (iii) $a \leq a^{**}, b \leq b^{**} \forall a, b \in L$,

then $a \wedge b \leq a^{**} \wedge b^{**} = 0$

$\therefore a \wedge b = 0$, Hence $a \wedge b = 0$ if and only if $a^{**} \wedge b^{**} = 0$.

(viii) Since $a \wedge b \leq b$ so $(a \wedge b)^* \leq b^*$ and

so $a \wedge (a \wedge b)^* \geq a \wedge b^* \dots\dots\dots (A)$.

Again $(a \wedge b) \wedge (a \wedge b)^* = 0$ implies that $(a \wedge (a \wedge b)^*) \wedge b = 0$,

there fore $a \wedge (a \wedge b)^* \leq b^*$

implies that $a \wedge a \wedge (a \wedge b)^* \leq a \wedge b^* \dots\dots\dots (B)$.

Form (A) and (B) $a \wedge (a \wedge b)^* = a \wedge b^*$.

Hence $a \wedge (a \wedge b)^* = a \wedge b^*$.

(ix) We have $0 \wedge x = 0 \forall x \in L$ and $0 \wedge 1 = 0$.

But $x \leq 1 \forall x \in L$. Hence $0^* = 1$.

Again $0^* = 1$ implies that $0^{**} = 1^*$

implies that $0 = 1^* \therefore 1^* = 0$.

(x) If $a \in S(L)$ then, $a = b^*$ for some $b \in L$.

but $a^* = a^{***}$, $\forall a \in L$.

Now $a^{**} = b^{***} = b^* = a$

Hence $a^{**} = a$

Conversely if $a = a^{**}$ then $a = b^*$, thus $a \in S(L)$.

Hence $a \in S(L)$ if and only if $a = a^{**}$.

(xi) Let $a, b \in S(L)$ then $a = a^{**}, b = b^{**}$, Since $a \wedge b \leq a$

implies that $(a \wedge b)^{**} \leq a^{**} = a$,

$\therefore a \geq (a \wedge b)^{**}$,

Again since $a \wedge b \leq b$ implies that $(a \wedge b)^{**} \leq b^{**} = b$

$\therefore (a \wedge b)^{**} \leq b$ implies that $b \geq (a \wedge b)^{**}$

implies that $a \wedge b \geq (a \wedge b)^{**}$ (A).

But $(a \wedge b) \leq (a \wedge b)^{**}$ (B).

From (A) and (B) $a \wedge b = (a \wedge b)^{**}$ implies that $a \wedge b \in S(L)$.

If $x \in S(L)$ such that $x \leq a$ and $x \leq b$ then $x \leq a \wedge b$.

i.e $a \wedge b$ is a greatest lower bound of $S(L)$.

Therefore $a \wedge b = \text{Inf}_{S(L)} \{a, b\} \in S(L)$.

(xii) For $a, b \in S(L)$. since $a^* \geq a^* \wedge b^*$

implies that $a^{**} \leq (a^* \wedge b^*)^*$ [by (ii)]

implies that $a \leq (a^* \wedge b^*)^*$ [by (i)]

Again $b^* \geq a^* \wedge b^*$ implies that $b^{**} \leq (a^* \wedge b^*)^*$ [by (ii)]

Implies that $b \leq (a^* \wedge b^*)^*$ [by (i)]

$(a^* \wedge b^*)^*$ is an upper bound of $\{a, b\}$ in $S(L)$.

Let $x \in S(L)$ such that $a \leq x, b \leq x$ then $a^* \geq x^*, b^* \geq x^*$ [by (ii)].

$\therefore a^* \wedge b^* \geq x^*$ implies that $(a^* \wedge b^*)^* \leq x^{**} = x$

implies that $(a^* \wedge b^*)^* \leq x$

$\therefore (a^* \wedge b^*)^*$ is a least upper bound of $\{a, b\}$ in $S(L)$

$\text{Sup}_{S(L)} \{a, b\} = (a^* \wedge b^*)^*$

Again $(a \wedge b)^{**} = ((a \wedge b)^*)^* = (a^* \wedge b^*)^*$

Hence $\text{Sup}_{S(L)} \{a, b\} = (a \vee b)^{**} = (a^* \wedge b^*)^*$

(xiii) From (ix) we have $0^* = 1, 1^* = 0$ then $0, 1 \in S(L)$ and $1 \in D(L)$.

Let $x \in S(L) \cap D(L)$ then $x \in S(L)$ and $x \in D(L)$

such that $x = x^{**}, x^* = 0$ then $x = (x^*)^* = 0^* = 1$.

Hence $S(L) \cap D(L) = \{1\}$.

(xiv) Let $a, b \in D(L)$ then $a^* = 0, b^* = 0$ implies that $a^{**} = b^{**} = 0^* = 1$

Now, $(a \wedge b)^{**} = a^{**} \wedge b^{**} = 1 \wedge 1 = 1$ [by (iv)]

$(a \wedge b)^* = (a \wedge b)^{***} = 1^* = 0$ implies that $a \wedge b \in D(L)$.

(xv) If $a \in D(L)$ then $a^* = 0$ and $a \leq b$ implies that $a^* \geq b^*$

implies that $b^* \leq a^* = 0$

implies that $b^* = 0$. Hence $b \in D(L)$.

(xvi) From (v) we have $(a \vee a^*)^* = a^* \wedge a^{**} = a^* \wedge (a^*)^* = 0$.

Hence $a \vee a^* \in D(L)$.

(xvii) Let $\varphi: L \rightarrow S(L)$ defined by $\varphi(x) = x^{**}$. Then $\varphi(x \wedge y)$

$$= (x \wedge y)^{**} = x^{**} \wedge y^{**}$$

$$= \varphi(x) \wedge \varphi(y).$$

$\therefore \varphi$ is meet homomorphism. ■

An identity $x \wedge \vee(x_i | i \in I) = \vee(x \wedge x_i | i \in I)$ is called the join Infinite

Distributive Identity.

Lemma 3.1.2: Let B be a complete *Boolean lattice*. Then B satisfies the *Join Infinite Distributive Identity (JID)*

Proof: $x \wedge x_i \leq x$ and $x \wedge x_i \leq \vee(x_i | i \in I)$;

therefore $x \wedge \vee(x_i | i \in I)$ is an upper bound for $\{x \wedge x_i | i \in I\}$. Now let u be any upper bound, that is, $x \wedge x_i \leq u$ for all $i \in I$.

Then $x_i = x_i \wedge (x \vee x') = (x_i \wedge x) \vee (x_i \wedge x') \leq u \vee x'$.

Thus $x \wedge \vee(x_i | i \in I) \leq x \wedge (u \vee x') = (x \wedge u) \vee (x \wedge x') = x \wedge u \leq u$.

Showing that $x \wedge \vee(x_i | i \in I)$ is the least upper bound for $\{x \wedge x_i | i \in I\}$. ■

Theorem 3.1.3: Any complete *lattice* that satisfies the *Join Infinity Distributive Identity (JID)* is a *pseudocomplemented distributive lattice*.

Proof: Let L be a complete *lattice*. For $a \in L$, set

$$a^* = \vee(x | x \in L, a \wedge x = 0).$$

Then by (JID), $a \wedge a^* = a \wedge \vee(x | a \wedge x = 0) = \vee(a \wedge x | a \wedge x = 0) = \vee(0) = 0$.

Suppose $a \wedge x = 0$, then $x \leq a^*$ by the definition of a^* ; Thus a^* is the *pseudocomplement* of a and so L is *pseudocomplemented*.

Recall that a *distributive lattice* L is a complete *distributive* if $\wedge H$ and $\vee H$ exists in l for any subset H of L .

The following figure 3.4 is an example of a complete *distributive lattice* which is not *pseudocomplemented*.

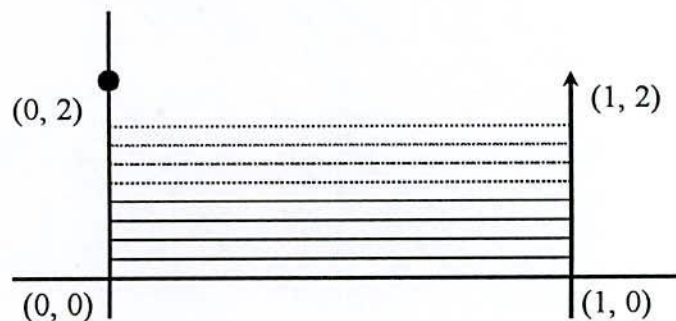


Figure 3.4

Here $L = \{(0, y) \mid 0 \leq y < 2\} \cup \{(1, y) \mid 0 \leq y \leq 2\}$, so $(0, 0)$ is the smallest and $(1, 2)$ is the largest element. Observe that $(0, 2) \notin L$. This is a complete distributive lattice, where \leq is the usual ' \leq ' relation. But this is not pseudocomplemented as $(1, 0)$ has no pseudocomplement. ■

2. Algebraic lattices.

Definition (Algebraic lattice) : A set $(L; \wedge, \vee)$ with two binary operation \wedge and \vee is called an *algebraic lattice* if it satisfy the following properties :

(i) for all $a \in L, a \wedge a = a, a \vee a = a$

(ii) for all $a, b \in L, a \wedge b = b \wedge a, a \vee b = b \vee a.$

(iii) for all $a, b, c \in L, a \wedge (b \wedge c) = (a \wedge b) \wedge c.$

$$a \vee (b \vee c) = (a \vee b) \vee c.$$

(iv) for all $a, b \in L, a \wedge (a \vee b) = a.$

$$a \vee (a \wedge b) = a.$$

A complete *lattice* is called *algebraic* if every element is the join of compact elements

Example: Let L be a with 0 then $I(L)$, the set of all *ideals* of L under ' \subseteq ' is an *algebraic lattice*.

In the literature, *algebraic lattices* are also called compactly generated *lattices*. Just as for *lattices*, a nonvoid subset I of a *join - semi lattice* S is an *ideal* if, for $a, b \in S$, we have $a \vee b \in I$ if and only if $a, b \in I$. Again, $I(S)$ is the *poset* of all *ideals* of S partially ordered under set inclusion. If S has a zero, then $I(S)$ is a *lattice*.

Using $I(S)$, We give a useful characterization of *algebraic lattices*. ■

Theorem 3.2.1: A *lattice* L is *algebraic* if and only if it is isomorphic to the *lattice* of all *ideals* of a *join semi- lattice* with 0 .

Proof: Let S be a *join semi-lattice* with 0 . We have to prove that $I(S)$ is *algebraic*. Since $0 \in S, I(S)$ is a *complete lattice*, We claim that $\forall a \in S$ $[a]$ is a compact in $I(S)$.

Let $X \subseteq I(S)$ and $(a] \subseteq \vee(I \mid I \in X)$.

Now $\vee(I \mid I \in X) = \{x \mid x \leq t_1 \vee \dots \vee t_n, t_i \in I_i, I_i \in X\}$

Therefore, $a \leq t_1 \vee \dots \vee t_n, t_i \in I_i, I_i \in X$

Thus with $X_1 = \{I_1, \dots, I_n\}$

$$(a] \leq \vee(I_i \in X_1 \subseteq X).$$

Therefore $(a]$ is compact in $I(S)$.

Now, for any $I \in I(S), I = \vee((a] \mid a \in L)$. Hence $I(S)$ is algebraic and so any lattice L isomorphic to $I(S)$ is also algebraic.

Conversely, let L be an algebraic lattice and let S be the set of all compact element of L . Obviously $0 \in S$.

Moreover, clearly join of two compact elements is again a compact element. So S is a join semi-lattice with 0 . Now consider the map $\varphi: L \rightarrow I(L)$ is defined by $\varphi(a) = \{x \in S \mid x \leq a\}$.

Obviously, φ maps L into $I(S)$. By the definition of an algebraic lattice $a = \vee \varphi(a)$, and so φ is one- one. To prove that φ is onto. Let $I \in I(S)$, $a = \vee I$ then $\varphi(a) \supseteq I$. Now, let $x \in \varphi(a)$, then $x \in S, x \leq a$.

$\vee I_1$, By compactness of x , there exists a finite subset $I_1 \subseteq I$ such that $x \leq \vee I_1$. This implies $x \in I$ and so $I \in \varphi(a)$. Therefore φ is onto.

$$\text{Also } \varphi(a \wedge b) = \{x \in S \mid x \leq a \wedge b\} = \{x \in S \mid x \leq b\}$$

$$= \varphi(a) \wedge \varphi(b)$$

$$\text{Also } \varphi(a \vee b) = \{x \in S \mid x \leq a \vee b\} = \{x \in S \mid x \leq a\} \vee \{x \in S \mid x \leq b\}$$

$$= \varphi(a) \vee \varphi(b)$$

i.e. φ is a homomorphism

Therefore it is an isomorphism. ■

Corollary 3.2.2: Let L be an arbitrary lattice $C(L)$ is an algebraic lattice.

Proof: We already know that $C(L)$ is a complete distributive lattice.

Suppose $\Theta \in C(L)$. Observe that $\Theta = \vee(\Theta(a,b) \mid a \equiv b \Theta, a, b \in L)$. Since every principal congruence is compact, So $C(L)$ is algebraic. ■

Corollary 3.2.3 : Every distributive algebraic lattice spseudocomplement.

Proof: Let L be a distributive algebraic lattice. Then $L \cong I(S)$, for some distributive join semi lattice S with 0 , $I(L)$ is complete.

Let $I, I_k \in I(S)$, we have to show that $I \wedge (\vee I_k) = \vee(I \wedge I_k)$

Of course, $\vee(I \wedge I_k) \subseteq I \wedge (\vee I_k)$(1).

Let $x \in I \wedge (\vee I_k)$ then, $x \in I$ and $x \in \vee I_k$

implies that $x \leq i_{k1} \vee \dots \vee i_{kn}$, for some $i_{k1} \in I_{k1}, i_{k2} \in I_{k2}, \dots, i_{kn} \in I_{kn}$

implies that $x \in I_{k1} \vee \dots \vee I_{kn}$

implies that $x \in I \wedge (I_{k1} \vee \dots \vee I_{kn})$

$$(I \wedge I_{k1}) \vee \dots \vee (I \wedge I_{kn}) \subseteq (I \wedge I_k).$$

implies that $(I \wedge \vee I_k) \subseteq \vee(I \wedge I_k)$ (ii)

From (i) and (ii)

$$\vee(I \wedge I_k) = I \wedge (\vee I_k)$$

implies that $I(S)$ holds JID

implies that $I(S)$ is pseudocomplemented.

implies that L is pseudocomplemented. ■

Theorem 3.2.4: Let L be a pseudocomplemented meet semi-lattice.

$S(L) = \{a^* \mid a \in L\}$. Then the partial ordering of L partially orders $S(L)$

and makes $S(L)$ into a Boolean lattice.

For $a, b \in S(L)$ we have $a \wedge b \in S(L)$ and the join in $S(L)$ is described by

$$a \vee b = (a^* \wedge b^*)^*.$$

Proof: The following results have already been proved in theorem 3.1.1.

- (i) $a \leq a^{**}$
- (ii) $a \leq b$ implies that $a^* \geq b^*$
- (iii) $a^* = a^{***}$
- (vi) $a \in S(L)$ iff $a^* = a^{**}$
- (v) $a, b \in S(L)$ implies that $a \wedge b \in S(L)$
- (vi) For $a, b \in S(L)$, $\text{Sup}_{S(L)}\{a, b\} = (a^* \wedge b^*)^*$

For $a, b \in S(L)$ define $a \vee b = (a^* \wedge b^*)^*$

then by (v) and (vi) we get $\langle S(L); \wedge, \vee \rangle$ is a bounded lattice.

Since, for $a \in S(L)$, $a \wedge a^* = 0$ and $a \vee a^* = (a^* \wedge a^{**})^* = 0^* = 1$, implies that $S(L)$ is Complemented lattice.

Now we need only to show that $S(L)$ is distributive.

For $x, y, z \in S(L)$, $x \wedge z \leq x \vee (y \wedge z)$ and $y \wedge z \leq x \vee (y \wedge z)$;

there fore $x \wedge z \wedge (x \vee (y \wedge z))^* = 0$

implies that $x \wedge (z \wedge (x \vee (y \wedge z))^*) = 0$

implies that $z \wedge (x \vee (y \wedge z))^* \leq x^*$

Again $y \wedge z \wedge (x \vee (y \wedge z))^* = 0$

Or $y \wedge (z \wedge (x \vee (y \wedge z))^*) = 0$

$\therefore z \wedge (x \vee (y \wedge z))^* \leq y^*$

We can write $z \wedge (x \vee (y \wedge z))^* \leq x^* \wedge y^*$

Consequently, $z \wedge (x \vee (y \wedge z))^* \wedge (x^* \wedge y^*)^* = 0$,

which implies that $z \wedge (x^* \wedge y^*)^* \leq (x \vee (y \wedge z))^{**}$.

Now the left- hand side is $z \wedge (x \vee y)$ [by for $a, b \in S(L)$.

$\text{Sup}_{S(L)}\{a, b\} = (a^* \wedge b^*)^*$]

and the right hand side is $x \vee (y \wedge z)$ [by $a \in S(L)$ iff $a = a^{**}$].

Thus we $z \wedge (x \vee y) \leq x \vee (y \wedge z)$ which is distributivity. ■

Theorem 3.2.5: Let L be a pseudocomplemented lattice.

Then $a^{**} \vee b^{**} = (a \vee b)^{**}$ for all $a, b \in L$.

Proof: We know that if L is a pseudocomplemented meet semi-lattice.

then $a \vee b = (a^* \vee b^*)^*$ where $a, b \in S(L)$.

Now for $a, b \in L, a^{**}, b^{**} \in S(L)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } a^{**} \vee b^{**} &= (a^{***} \wedge b^{***})^* \\ &= (a^* \wedge b^*)^* \\ &= (a \vee b)^{**} \end{aligned}$$

implies that $a^{**} \vee b^{**} = (a \vee b)^{**}$. ■

Theorem 3.2.6: Let L be a pseudocomplemented meet semi-lattice and

let $a, b \in L$ then $(a \wedge b)^* = (a^{**} \wedge b)^* = (a^{**} \wedge b^{**})^*$

Proof: Since L is a pseudocomplemented meet semi-lattice.

Then $a \leq a^{**}$ implies that $a \wedge b \leq a^{**} \wedge b$

implies that $(a \wedge b)^* \geq (a^{**} \wedge b)^* \dots \dots \dots (i)$

Again $b \leq b^{**}$ implies that $a^{**} \wedge b \leq a^{**} \wedge b^{**}$

implies that $a^{**} \wedge b \leq (a \wedge b)^{**}$

implies that $(a^{**} \wedge b)^* \geq (a \wedge b)^{****}$

implies that $(a^{**} \wedge b)^* \geq (a \wedge b)^* \dots \dots \dots (ii)$

Form (i) and (ii) we have $(a \wedge b)^* = (a^{**} \wedge b)^* \dots \dots \dots (iii)$

Again, $b \leq b^{**}$ implies that $a^{**} \wedge b \leq a^{**} \wedge b^{**}$

Implies that $(a^{**} \wedge b)^* \geq (a^{**} \wedge b^{**})^* \dots \dots \dots (iv)$

Again, $a^{**} \leq a^{****}$ implies that $a^{**} \wedge b^{**} \leq a^{****} \wedge b^{**}$
 $= (a^{**} \wedge b)^{**}$

implies that $(a^{**} \wedge b^{**})^* \geq (a^{**} \wedge b)^{***}$ implies that

$$(a^{**} \wedge b^{**})^* \geq (a^{**} \wedge b)^* \dots \dots \dots (v).$$

From (iv) and (v)

$$(a^{**} \wedge b)^* = (a^{**} \wedge b^{**})^* \dots \dots \dots (v)$$

From (iii) and (vi)

$$(a \wedge b)^* = (a^{**} \wedge b)^* = (a^{**} \wedge b^{**})^* . \quad \blacksquare$$

Theorem 3.2.7: Let L be a pseudocomplemented distributive lattice. Then for each $a \in L$, $(a]$ is a pseudocomplement distributive lattice in fact the pseudocomplement of $x \in (a]$ in $(a]$ is $x^* \wedge a$.

Proof: Let $x \in (a]$ then $x \wedge (x^* \wedge a) = (x^* \wedge a) = (x \wedge x^*) \wedge a = 0 \wedge a = 0$. Further if $x \wedge t = 0$ then $t \leq x^*$ implies that $t \wedge a \leq x^* \wedge a$ implies that $t \leq x^* \wedge a$ implies that $x^* \wedge a$ is the pseudocomplement of x , implies that $(a]$ is a pseudocomplemented distributive lattice. \blacksquare

Theorem 3.2.8: Let \wedge be a binary operation on L , let $*$ be a unary operation on L (that is, for every $a \in L, a^* \in L$) and let 0 be a nullary operation (that is $0 \in L$). Let us assume that the following hold for all $a, b, c \in L$: $a \wedge b = b \wedge a$.

$$(a \wedge b) \wedge c = a \wedge (b \wedge c), a \wedge a = a, 0 \wedge a = 0, a \wedge (a \wedge b)^* = a \wedge b^*,$$

$a \wedge 0^* = a, (0^*)^* = 0$. Show that $\langle L; \wedge \rangle$ is a meet semi-lattice with 0 as zero, and for all, $a \in L, a^*$ is the pseudocomplement of a (R. Balbes and A. Horn [1970a])

Proof: Let $a \in L, a^* \in L$ then

- i) $a \wedge a = a$ [by given condition]
- ii) $a \wedge a = b \wedge a$ [by given condition]
- iii) $a \wedge (b \wedge c) = (a \wedge b) \wedge c$ [by given condition]

Define ' \leq ' on L by $a \leq b \Leftrightarrow a = a \wedge b$.

$\therefore \langle L; \wedge \rangle$ is a meet semi-lattice.

Now $0 \wedge a = 0 \quad \forall a \in L$ implies that $0 \leq a$

So, 0 is the zero element of L .

Second part: $0 = a \wedge 0 = a \wedge 0^{**} = a \wedge (a \wedge 0^*)^* = a \wedge a^*$ and $a \wedge x = 0$.

Then $x \wedge a^* = x \wedge (x \wedge a)^* = x \wedge 0^* = x = x \wedge a^* = x$ implies that $x \leq a^*$

Hence a^* is the pseudocomplement of a . ■

Theorem 3.2.9: For a pseudocomplemented distributive lattice L . Define the relation R by: $x \equiv y(R)$ if and only if $x^* = y^*$. Then R is a congruence on L and $L/R \cong S(L)$.

Proof: Given that $x \equiv y(R) \Leftrightarrow x^* = y^*$, then $x^* = x^*$ implies that $x = x(R)$ implies that R is reflexive. Also if $x \equiv y(R)$, then $x^* = y^*$ implies that $y^* = x^*$ implies that $y \equiv x(R)$ implies that R is symmetric. Let $x \equiv y(R)$ and $y \equiv z(R)$, then $x^* = y^*$ and $y^* = z^*$ implies that $x^* = z^*$ implies that $x \equiv z(R)$ implies that R is transitive. implies that R is an equivalence relation.

Now, suppose $x \equiv y(R)$ and $t \in L$ then $x^* = y^*$ implies that $x^{**} = y^{**}$.

Now, $(x \wedge t)^{**} = x^{**} \wedge t^{**} = y^{**} \wedge t^{**} = (y \wedge t)^{**}$

implies that $(x \wedge t)^{**} = (y \wedge t)^{**}$

implies that $(x \wedge t)^* = (y \wedge t)^*$

implies that $x \wedge t \equiv y \wedge t(R)$

and $(x \vee t)^* = x^* \wedge t^* = y^* \wedge t^* = (y \vee t)^*$

implies that $x \vee t \equiv y \vee t(R)$.

So R is a congruence relation on L .

Define $\varphi: L/R \rightarrow S(L)$ by $\varphi([a]R) = a^{**}$,

then $\varphi([a] \wedge [b]) = \varphi([a \wedge b])^{**} = (a \wedge b)^{**} = a^{**} \wedge b^{**}$
 $= \varphi([a]) \wedge \varphi([b])$

And $\varphi([a] \vee [b]) = \varphi([a \vee b])^{**} = (a \vee b)^{**} = (a^* \wedge b^*)^*$
 $= (a^{***} \wedge b^{***})^*$
 $= a^{**} \vee b^{**}$
 $= \varphi([a]) \vee \varphi([b])$

$\therefore \varphi$ is a homomorphism.

To show that φ is one- one. Let $a^{**} = b^{**}$

implies that $a^* = b^*$

implies that $a \equiv b(R)$ implies that $[a] = [b]$,

$\therefore \varphi$ is one- one.

Let $a \in S(L)$ then $a = a^{**}$ implies that $a = \varphi[a]$

implies that φ is onto.

Hence $\varphi: L/R \rightarrow S(L)$ is an isomorphism.

Therefore $L/R \cong S(L)$. ■

CHAPTER FOUR

STONE LATTICES

Introduction: Stone lattices have been studied by several authors including Cornish [5], G. Grätzer & E.T. Schmidt [9], Katrinak [11], T.P.Speed [25], J.Verlet [26]. In this chapter, we discuss the *Stone lattices*, *Stone algebras* and some basic concepts to *Stone lattices*. In section 1 of this chapter, we give some basic properties of *Stone algebra* which will be needed in the next part.

In section 2 of this chapter, we have given characterization of *minimal prime ideals of a pseudocomplemented distributive lattice*. Then we have shown that every *pseudocomplemented lattice is generalized Stone* if and only if every two *minimal prime ideals are co-maximal*.

Definition (Stone lattice): A *distributive pseudocomplemented lattice* L is called a *Stone lattice* if for each $a \in L$, $a^* \vee a^{**} = 1$.

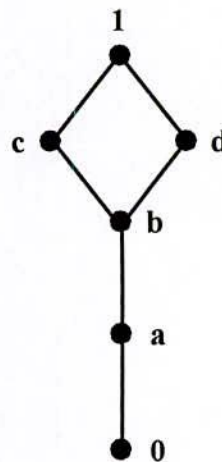


Figure 4.1

Definition (Stone algebra): A pseudocomplemented distributive lattice L is called a *stone algebra* if and only if it satisfies the condition $a^* \vee a^{**} = 1$ which is called *stone identity*, for each $a \in L$.

Definition (Generalized stone lattice): A lattice L with 0 is called *generalized stone lattice* if $(x]^* \vee (x]^{**} = L$ for each $x \in L$.

1. Properties of Stone Lattices.

Theorem 4.1.1: For a *distributive lattice* L with *pseudocomplementation*,

the following conditions are equivalent.

- i) L is a *Stone algebra*
- ii) $(a \wedge b)^* = a^* \vee b^*$ for all $a, b \in L$
- iii) $a, b \in S(L)$ implies that $a \vee b \in S(L)$.
- iv) $S(L)$ is a *sub algebra* of L .

Proof: (i) implies (ii), Let L be a *Stone algebra*, we shall show that $a^* \vee b^*$ is the *pseudocomplement* of $a \wedge b$, Indeed.

$$\begin{aligned} (a \wedge b) \wedge (a^* \vee b^*) &= (a \wedge b \wedge a^*) \vee (a \wedge b \wedge b^*) \\ &= (0 \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge 0) \\ &= 0 \vee 0 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

If $(a \wedge b) \wedge x = 0$ then $(b \wedge x) \wedge a = 0$.

and so $b \wedge x \leq a^*$, Meeting both sides by a^{**}

Yields, $b \wedge x \wedge a^{**} \leq a^* \wedge a^{**} = 0$;

that is, $b \wedge (x \wedge a^{**}) = 0$, implying that $a^{**} \wedge x \leq b^*$

We have, $a^* \vee a^{**} = 1$, by *Stone's identity*.

$$\therefore x = x \wedge 1 = x \wedge (a^* \vee a^{**}) = (x \wedge a^*) \vee (x \wedge a^{**}) \leq a^* \vee b^*.$$

implies that $a^* \vee b^*$ is the *pseudocomplement* of $a \wedge b$

implies that $(a \wedge b)^* = a^* \vee b^*$.

(ii) implies (iii).

Let $a, b \in S(L)$, then $a = a^{**}$, $b = b^{**}$

$$\therefore a \vee b = a^{**} \vee b^{**} = (a^* \wedge b^*)^* = (a \vee b)^{**}$$

implies that $a \vee b \in S(L)$

(iii) implies (iv), For $a, b \in S(L), a \vee b \in S(L)$

Also $a = a^{**}, b = b^{**}$

Now, $a \vee b = a^{**} \vee b^{**} = (a^* \wedge b^*)^* = (a \vee b)^{**} = a \vee b$

i.e. $S(L)$ is a *sub algebra* of L .

(iv) implies (i) Let $S(L)$ is a *sub algebra* of L .

Then $a^* \vee a^{**} = (a \wedge a^*)^* = 0^* = 1$.

Hence L is a *Stone algebra*. ■

Theorem 4.1.2: If L is a *complete Stone lattice*, then so is $I(L)$.

Proof: Let $I^* = (a]$, where $a = \bigwedge (x^* \mid x \in I)$ and let $x \in I \cap I^*$, then $x \in I$ and $x \in I^* = (a]$ implies that $x \in I$ and $x \in (a]$ implies that $x \in I$ and $x \leq y^* \forall y \in I$ implies that $x \leq x^*$ implies that $x = x \wedge x^* = 0$, implies that $I \wedge I^* = (0]$,

Let $I \wedge J$, choose any $j \in J$, then $i \wedge j = 0 \forall i \in I$ implies that $j \leq i^*, i \in I$ implies that $j \leq \bigwedge (i^* \mid i \in I)$ implies that $j \leq a$ implies that $j \in I^*$ implies that $J \subseteq I^*$ implies that I^* is a *pseudocomplemented*. Since $0 \in L$, so $I(L)$ is *complete*. Finally, we have to show that $I^* \vee I^{**} = L$.

Now $I^* \vee I^{**} = (a] \vee (a]^* = (a)^{**} \vee (a)^*$

$$= (a^{**}) \vee (a^*)$$

$$= (a^{**} \vee a^*)$$

$$= L$$

Hence $I(L)$ is a *Stone*.

Thus $I(L)$ is a *complete Stone lattice*. ■

Theorem 4.1.3: A *distributive pseudocomplemented lattice* is a *Stone lattice* if and only if $(a \vee b)^{**} = a^{**} \vee b^{**}$ for $a, b \in L$.

Proof: Let L be a *Stone lattice*. Then we have $(a \wedge b)^* = a^* \vee b^*$ for $a, b \in L$. Now $(a \vee b)^{**} = (a \vee b^*)^* = (a^* \wedge b^*)^* = a^{**} \vee b^{**}$

Conversely, let $(a \vee b)** = a** \vee b**$ for $a, b \in L$.

Since L is a *pseudocomplemented lattice*. Then for $a \in L, a \wedge a^* = 0$

implies that $(a \wedge a^*)** = 0**$

implies that $a** \wedge a*** = 0$

implies that $a** \wedge a^* = 0$

Now, $(a \vee a^*)^* = a^* \wedge a** = 0$

implies that $(a \vee a^*)** = 0^*$

implies that $a** \vee a*** = 1$

implies that $a** \vee a^* = 1$

Hence L is a *Stone lattice*. ■

2. Minimal prime ideals.

A prime ideal P of a lattice L is called *minimal* if there does not exist a prime ideal Q such that $Q \subset P$.

The following lemma is a fundamental result in *lattice theory*; e.f. [7], lemma 4pp. 169]. Though our proof is similar to their proof, we include the proof for the convenience of the reader.

Theorem 4.2.1: Let L be a lattice with 0. Then every prime ideal contains a minimal prime ideal.

Proof: Let P be a prime ideal of L and let R denote the set of all prime ideals Q contained in P . Then R is non-void, since $0 \in Q$ and Q is an ideal; in fact, Q is prime. Indeed, if $a \wedge b \in Q$ for some $a, b \in L$, then $a, b \in X$ for all $X \in C$; since X is prime, either $a \in X$ or $b \in X$. Thus either $Q = \bigcap (X : a \in X)$ or $Q = \bigcap (X : b \in X)$ proving that a or $b \in Q$. Therefore, we can apply to R the dual form of Zorn's lemma to conclude the existence of a minimal member of R . ■

Lemma 4.2.2: Let L be a pseudocomplemented distributive lattice and let P be a prime ideal of L . Then the following four conditions are equivalent.

- i) P is minimal.
- ii) $x \in P$ implies that $x^* \notin P$.
- iii) $x \in P$ implies that $x^{**} \in P$.
- iv) $P \cap D(L) = \emptyset$.

Proof: (i) implies (ii).

Let P be minimal and (ii) fail, that is $a^* \in P$ for some $a \in P$. Let $D = (L - P) \vee [a]$. We claim that $0 \notin D$. Indeed, if $0 \in D$, then

$q \wedge a = 0$ for some $q \in L - P$, which implies that $q \leq a \in P$, a contradiction. Thus (by theorem 1.4.8) there exists a *prime ideal* Q disjoint to D . Then $Q \subseteq P$ since $Q \cap (L - P) = \phi$, and $Q \neq P$ since $a \notin Q$, contradicting the minimality of P .

(ii) implies (iii)

Indeed, $x^* \wedge x^{**} = 0 \in P$ for any $x \in L$ thus if $x \in P$, then by (ii) $x^* \in P$, implying that $x^{**} \in P$.

(iii) implies (iv)

If $a \in P \cap D(L)$ for some $a \in L$, then $a^{**} = 1 \notin P$, a contradiction to (iii), thus $P \cap D(L) = \phi$.

(iv) implies (i)

If P is not *minimal*, then $Q \subset P$ for some *prime ideal* Q of L .

Let $x \in P - Q$. Then $x \wedge x^* = 0 \in Q$ and $x \notin Q$: then $x^* \in Q \subset P$, which implies that $x \vee x^* \in P$. By theorem 3.1.1. (xvi), $x \vee x^* \in D(L)$; thus we obtain $x \vee x^* \in P \cap D(L)$, contradicting (iv).

Hence P is *minimal*. ■

Theorem 4.2.3: In a *Stone algebra* every *prime ideal* contains exactly one *minimal prime ideal*.

Proof: Let L be a *stone algebra* and let P be a *prime ideal* of L . We need prove that P contains exactly one *minimal prime ideal*. Suppose P contains two distinct *minimal prime ideals* Q_1 and Q_2 .

Choose $x \in Q_1 - Q_2$ ($Q_1 \not\subset Q_2$, since Q_2 is *minimal* and $Q_2 \neq Q_1$, hence $Q_1 - Q_2 \neq \phi$);

Since $x \wedge x^* = 0 \in Q_2$, $x \notin Q_2$ and Q_2 is *prime*, so $x^* \in Q_2$, $L - Q_1$ is *maximal dual prime ideal*, hence it is a *maximal dual ideal* of L .

Thus $(L - Q_1) \vee [x] = L$ and so, $x \wedge a = 0$ for some $a \in L - Q_1$.

Therefore, $x^* \geq a \in L - Q_1$ implies that $x^* \in Q_1$. Hence $x^* \in Q_2 - Q_1$.

Similarly, $x^* \in Q_1$, so x^* and x^{**} both contained in P .

implies that $1 = x^* \vee x^{**} \in P$, which is a contradiction that P is a *prime ideal* of L . Thus in a *Stone algebra* every *prime ideal* contains exactly one *minimal prime ideal*. ■

Theorem 4.2.4: A *prime ideal* P of a *Stone algebra* L is *minimal* if and only if $P = (P \cap S(L))_L$.

Proof: Suppose P is *minimal*, Let $x \in (P \cap S(L))_L$. Then $x \leq r$ for some $r \in P \cap S(L)$ implies that $r \in P$ and $r \in S(L)$ implies that $x \in P$ implies that $r \in P$ and $r \in S(L)$ implies that $r \in P$ implies that $x \in P$. implies that $(P \cap S(L))_L \subseteq P$ (i)

Again let $x \in P$, since P , is *minimal* so, $x^{**} \in P$, Then $x \in P \cap S(L)$, as $x \leq x^{**}$. So $x \in (P \cap S(L))_L$.

implies that $P \subseteq (P \cap S(L))_L$ (ii)

Form (i) and (ii) $P = (P \cap S(L))_L$

Conversely, let $P = (P \cap S(L))_L$ and let $x \in P$ then $x \leq r$ for some $r \in P \cap S(L)$, implies that $x^{**} \leq r^{**} = r$ implies that $x^{**} \in P$.

Hence P is *minimal*. ■

Theorem 4.2.5: A *distributive lattice* with *pseudocomplementation* is a *Stone algebra* if and only if every *prime ideal* contains exactly one *minimal prime ideal* (G. Gratzner and E. T Schmidt [1957b])

Proof: Let L be *distributive lattice* with *pseudocomplementation*. If L is a *Stone algebra*, then by theorem 4.2.3 every *prime ideal* contains exactly one *minimal prime ideal*.

Conversely, let L is not a *Stone lattice* and let $a \in L$ such that $a^* \vee a^{**} \neq 1$. Then there exist a *prime ideal* R such that, $a^* \vee a^{**} \in R$. We claim that $(L - R) \vee [a^*] \neq L$. If $(L - R) \vee [a^*] = L$ then there exist an $x \in L - R$ such that $x \wedge a^* = 0$. Then $a^{**} \geq x \in L - R$ implies $a^{**} \in L - R$. Which is a contradiction. So $(L - R) \vee [a^*] \neq L$. Let F be a *minimal dual prime ideal* containing $(L - R) \vee [a^*]$ and let G be a *minimal dual prime ideal*

containing $(L - R) \vee [a^*]$. We set $P = L - F$ and $Q = L - G$. Then P and Q are *minimal prime ideals* such that $P, Q \subseteq R$. Moreover $P \neq Q$, because $a^* \in F = L - P$ and hence $a^* \notin P$; thus $a^{**} \in P$ but $a^{**} \notin Q$. ■

Theorem 4.2.6: Let L be a *distributive* with 0 and 1. For an *ideal* I of L . We set $I^* = \{x \mid x \wedge i = 0 \text{ for all } i \in I\}$. Let P be a *prime ideal* of L . Then P is *minimal prime ideal* if and only if $x \in P$ implies that $(x]^* \subseteq P$ (T. P. Speed).

Proof: By the definition of I^* , $(x]^* = \{y \mid y \wedge x = 0\}$ as $x^* \wedge x = 0$ implies that $x^* \in (x]^*$ implies that $(x^*] \subseteq (x]^*$, again let $z \in (x]^*$, then $z \wedge x = 0$ implies that $z \leq x^*$ implies that $z \in (x^*]$ implies that $(x]^* \subseteq (x^*]$ implies that $(x]^* = (x^*]$. Now suppose P be a *minimal prime ideal* and $x \in P$, then by the theorem $x^* \notin P$, implies that $(x^*] \not\subseteq P$ implies that $(x^*] \subseteq P$.

Conversely, if for $x \in P$, $(x]^* \not\subseteq P$ and if possible. Let P is not *minimal* then there exist a *prime ideal* Q such that $Q \subset P$. Let $x \in P = Q$. Now $x^* \wedge x = 0 \in Q$ implies that $x^* \in Q$ implies that $x \in P$ implies that $(x^*] \subseteq P$ implies that $(x]^* \subseteq P$, which is a contradiction.

Hence the proof. ■

Theorem 4.2.7: Every *Boolean lattice* is a *Stone lattice* but the conversely is not necessary true.

Proof: Let L be a *Boolean lattice*. Then for each $a \in L$, it's complement d' is also the *pseudocomplement* of a .

Moreover, $a^* \vee a^{**} = d' \vee d'' = d' \vee a = 1$. Hence L is also *Stone*.

Observe that 3- elements chain is a *Stone lattice*.

For $a^* \vee a^{**} = 0 \vee 0^* = 0 \vee 1 = 1$. But it is not *Boolean*, as a has no *complement*.



Figure – 4.2

In theorem 4.2.3, we have proved that in a *Stone lattice* every *prime ideal* contains a unique *minimal prime ideal*. In the following lattice, observe that (c) is a *prime ideal* and it contains two *minimal prime ideals* (a) and (b) .

Hence it is not a *Stone lattice*.

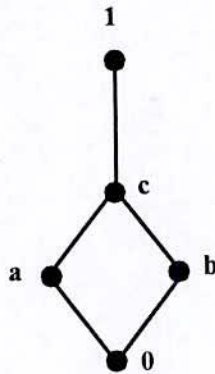


Figure – 4.3

Also by 4.1.1. we know that in a *Stone lattice* L , $a \wedge b \in S(L)$ for all $a, b \in L$. In above *lattice* observe that $a \vee b = c \notin S(L)$.

Hence L is not *Stone*.

Definition(Skeleton of a lattice): Let L be a *Stone lattice*, then $S(L) = \{a^* : a \in L\}$ is called *skeleton* of L . The elements of $S(L)$ are called *skeletal*. L is *dense* if $S(L) = \{0, 1\}$,
 $\langle S(L); \wedge, \vee, *, 0, 1 \rangle$ is a *Boolean algebra*.

Corollary 4.2.8: A *finite distributive lattice* is a *Stone lattice* if and only if it is the direct product of finite *distributive dense lattices* that is *finite distributive lattices* with only one *atom*.

Proof: By theorem 4.1.1 a *Stone lattice* L has a complemented element $a \notin \{0, 1\}$ iff $S(L) \neq \{0, 1\}$; thus the decomposition of theorem 2.1.14 can be repeated until each factor L_i satisfies $S(L) = \{0, 1\}$. In a direct product, $*$ is formed component wise: Therefore all the L_i are *Stone lattices*; For a finite lattice K with $S(K) = \{0, 1\}$ the condition that K has one *atom* is equivalent to K being a *Stone lattice*. ■

Theorem 4.2.9: A *distributive pseudocomplemented lattice* is a *Stone lattice* L if and only if for any two *minimal prime ideals* P and Q ,
 $P \vee Q = L$

Proof : Suppose L is a *Stone lattice* and P, Q are two *minimal prime ideals*. If $P \vee Q \neq L$ then by theorem 2.1.17 there exists a *prime ideal* R containing $P \vee Q$. This means that R contains two *minimal prime ideals*, which is a contradiction to theorem 4.2.5. as L is a *Stone*, there fore $P \vee Q = L$.

Conversely, suppose the given condition holds and R is a *prime ideal* of L . Then R can not contain two *minimal prime ideals* P and Q , as other wise $R \supset P \vee Q = L$, Therefore again by theorem 4.2.5. L is *Stone*. ■

Definition (Dense set): $D(L) = \{a \in L : a^* = 0\}$, $D(L)$ is called the dense set. $D(L)$ is a filter or Dual ideal, $1 \in D(L)$.

We can easily check that $D(L)$ is a dual ideal of L and that $1 \in D(L)$; thus $D(L)$ is a distributive lattice with 1. Since $a \vee a^* \in D(L)$ for every $a \in L$, we can interpret the identity $a \vee a^{**} \wedge (a \vee a^*)$.

To mean that every $a \in L$ can be represented in the form $a = b \wedge c$.

Where $b \in S(L)$, $c \in D(L)$. Such an interpretation correctly suggests that if we know $S(L)$ and $D(L)$ and the relationships between elements of $S(L)$ and $D(L)$,

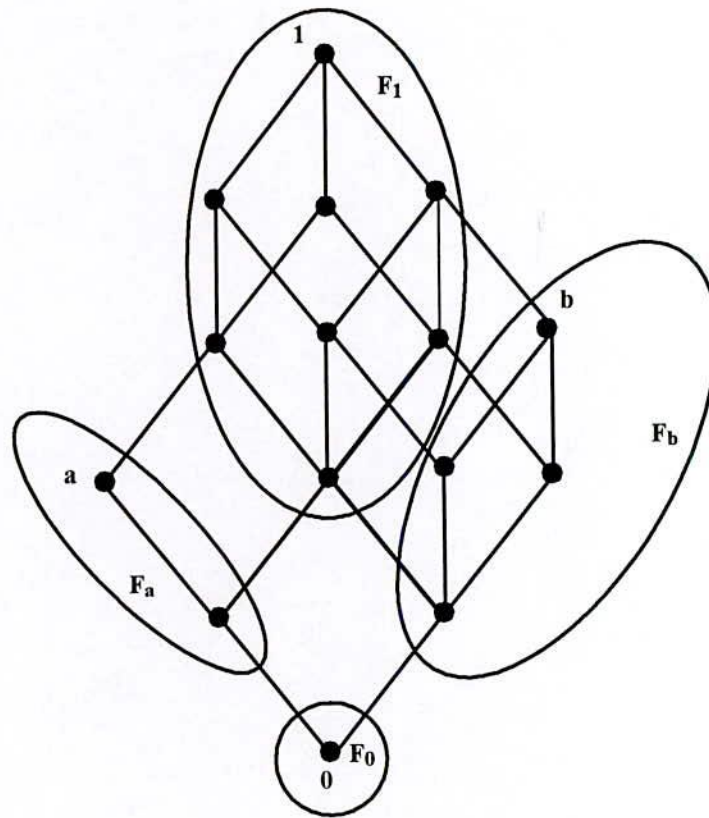


Figure : 4.4

Then we can describe L . The relationship is expressed by the homomorphism $\varphi(L) : S(L) \rightarrow \wp(D(L))$ defined by

$$\varphi(L) : a \rightarrow \{x \mid x \in D(L); x \geq a^*\}$$

Now we prove a theorem which gives an *ideal* of construction of *Stone algebra's*.

Theorem 4.2.10: (C. C. Chen and G. Gratzner [1969b]) Let L be a Stone algebra. Then $S(L)$ is a *Boolean algebra* $D(L)$ is a *distributive lattice* with L and $\varphi(L)$ is a $\{0, 1\}$ *homomorphism* of $S(L)$ into $\wp D(L)$. The triple $\langle S(L), D(L), \varphi(L) \rangle$ characterizes L up to *isomorphism*.

Proof : The first statement is easily verified. For $a \in S(L)$, set $F_a = \{x : x^{**} = a\}$.

The sets $\{F_a \mid a \in S(L)\}$ form a partition of L ; for simple example figure 4.4. Obviously, $F_0 = \{0\}$ and $F_1 = D(L)$; The map $x \rightarrow x \vee a^*$ sends F_a into $F_1 = D(L)$; infact the map is an *isomorphism* between F_a and $a\varphi(L) \subseteq D(L)$. Thus $x \in F_a$ is completely determined by a and $x \vee a^* \in a\varphi(L)$ - that is by a pair $\langle a, z \rangle$ where $a \in S(L), z \in a\varphi(L)$ - and every such pair determines one and only one element of L . To complete our proof we have to show how the partial ordering on L can be determined by such pairs.

Let $x \in F_a$ and $y \in F_b$. Then $x \leq y$ implies that $x^{**} \leq y^{**}$, that is $a \leq b$. Since $x \leq y$ if and only if, $a \vee x \leq a \vee y$ and $x \vee a^* \leq y \vee a^*$ and since the first of these two conditions is trivial, we obtain: $x \leq y$ iff $a \leq b$ and $x \vee a^* \leq y \vee a^*$. Identifying x with $\langle x \vee a^*, a \rangle$ and y with $\langle y \vee b^*, b \rangle$, we see that the preceding conditions are stated in terms of the components of the ordered pairs, except that $y \vee a^*$ will have to be expressed by the triple. Because $\varphi(L)$ is a $\{0, 1\}$ *homomorphism* and a^{**} is the *complement* of a^* , we conclude that $a^{**}\varphi(L)$ and $a^*\varphi(L)$ are complementary dual ideals of $D(L)$. Therefore, by theorem 2.2.3. for any $z \in D(L), [z]$ is the direct product of $[z \vee a^*]$ and $[z \vee a^{**}]$. Thus

every z can be written in a unique fashion in the form $z = z(a^*) \wedge z(a^{**})$, where $z(a^*) \in a\varphi(L)$ and $z(a^{**}) \in a^*\varphi(L)$. Let $y\rho_a$ denote the element $(y\varphi(L))(a^*)$ and observe that ρ_a is expressed in terms of the triple. Finally, $y \vee a^* = y \vee b^* \vee a^* = (y\varphi(L)) \vee a^* = y\rho_a$. Thus for $u \in a\varphi(L)$ and $v \in b\varphi(L)$, we have $\langle u, a \rangle \leq \langle v, b \rangle$ if and only if $a \leq b$ and $u \leq v\rho_a$. ■

CHAPTER FIVE

MODULAR AND DISTRIBUTIVE LATTICE WITH n -IDEAL.

Introduction: An idea of *standard n -ideals* of a *lattice* was introduced by A.S.A.Noor and M.A. Latif in [20]. Then they studied those *n -ideals* extensively and included several properties in [19] and [21]. Moreover, in [22] Latif has *generalized isomorphism* theorems for *standard ideals* in terms of *n -ideals*. In this section we give a nice *idea* of *distributive* and *modular lattice* with *n -ideals*.

An *n -ideal* S of a *lattice* L is called a *standard n -ideal* if it is a standard element of the *lattice* $I_n(L)$. That is, S is called standard if for all

$$I, J \in I_n(L), \quad I_n \wedge (s \vee J) = (I \cap s) \vee (I \cap J).$$

Distributive elements and ideals were studied extensively by Gratzer and Schmidt in [9]. On the other hand [24] have studied the *distributive* elements and *ideals* in *Join semi lattices* which are directed below:

An element d of a *lattice* L is called *distributive* if for all $x, y \in L, d \vee (x \wedge y) = (d \vee x) \wedge (d \vee y)$. An *ideal* I is called *distributive* if it is a *distributive* element of the *ideal Lattice* $I(L)$.

In [24] Talukder and Noor have given an idea of a *modular* element and a *modular ideal* of a *Lattice*. According to them, an element n of a *lattice* L is called *modular* if for all $x, y \in L$ with $y \leq x, x \wedge (n \vee y) = (x \wedge n) \vee y$.

An ideal of L is called *modular* if it is a *modular* element of $I(L)$.

An element $s \in L$ is *standard* if for all

$$x, y \in L, \quad x \wedge (s \vee y) = (x \wedge s) \vee (x \wedge y)$$

An element $n \in L$ is called *neutral* if it is *standard* and for all $x, y \in L$, $(a \wedge x) \vee (x \wedge y) \vee (y \wedge a) = (a \vee x) \wedge (x \vee y) \wedge (y \vee a)$ That is, n is *dual distributive*.

In section 1, we have introduced some idea of *distributive lattice* with n -ideals. We have given several characterizations of *distributive lattice with n -ideals*. For a *distributive lattice of n -ideal I* of a lattice L we have also given some definition of $\Theta(I)$. The *congruence* generated by I . We have also explained *neutral element n* of a lattice L , *Principal n -ideal $\langle a \rangle_n$* or $P_n(L)$ in *distributive Lattice*.

1. n-Ideal of a lattice.

A non-empty subset I of a lattice L is said to be an *ideal* of L if

- (i) $a, b \in I \Rightarrow a \vee b \in I$
- (ii) $a \in I, l \in L \Rightarrow a \wedge l \in I.$

If L is bounded then $\{0\}$ is always an *ideal* of L and is called the *zero ideal*. The *n-ideal* of a lattice have been studied extensively by A.S.A Noor and M.A. Latif in [19], [20], [21], [22] and [23]. For a fixed element n of a lattice L , a *convex sub lattice* containing n is called an *n-ideal*. If L has "0", then replacing n by "0" an *n-ideal* becomes a filter by replacing n by 1. Thus the *idea of n-ideals* is a kind of generalization of both *ideals* and *filters of lattices*. So any result involving *n-ideals* of a lattice L will give a generalization of both *ideals* and *filters of lattices*. So any result involving *n-ideals* of a lattice L will give a generalization of the results on *ideals* if $0 \in L$ and *filters* if $1 \in L$.

The set of all *n-ideals* of a lattice L is denoted by $I_n(L)$. Which is an *algebraic lattice* under set inclusion. Moreover, $\{n\}$ and L are respectively the smallest and the largest elements of $I_n(L)$, while the set theoretic intersection is the *infimum*. For any two *n-ideals* H and K , of a lattice L , it is easy to say that $H \cap K = \{x : x = m(h, n, k) \text{ for some } h \in H, k \in K\}$

Where $m(x, y, z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (y \wedge z) \vee (z \wedge x)$ and

$$H \vee K = \{x : h_1 \wedge k_1 \leq x \leq h_2 \vee k_2, \text{ for some } h_1, h_2 \in H. \text{ and } k_1, k_2 \in K.$$

The *n-ideal* generated by p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m is denoted by $\langle p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m \rangle_n$,

clearly, $\langle p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m \rangle_n = \langle p_1 \rangle_n \vee \langle p_2 \rangle_n \vee \dots \vee \langle p_m \rangle_n$.

The n -ideal generated by a finite number of elements is called a finitely generated n -ideal. The set of all finitely generated n -ideal is denoted by $F_n(L)$, is a lattice. The n -ideal generated by a single element is called a principal n -ideal. The set of all principal n -ideals of a lattice L is denoted by $P_n(L)$. We have $\langle a \rangle_n = \{x \in L : a \wedge n \leq x \leq a \vee n\}$.

Standard element of a Lattice: An element s of a lattice L is called standard if $x \wedge (s \vee y) = (x \wedge s) \vee (x \wedge y)$ for all $x, y \in L$.

Theorem 5.1.1: If $I_n(L)$ be an n -ideal of a lattice L is distributive if and only if $(I \vee \langle a \rangle_n) \cap (I \vee \langle b \rangle_n) = I \vee (\langle a \rangle_n \cap \langle b \rangle_n)$. for $a, b \in L$.

Proof: Let J and K be two ideals of a lattice L and I is distributive lattice. Again let $x \in (I \vee J) \cap (I \vee K)$.

Then $x \in I \vee J$ and $x \in I \vee K$.

Then $i_1 \wedge j_1 \leq x \leq i_2 \vee j_2$ and $i_3 \wedge k_3 \leq x \leq i_4 \vee k_4$.

for some $i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4 \in I$, $j_1, j_2 \in J$ and $k_3, k_4 \in K$.

Now, $n \leq x \vee n \leq i_2 \vee j_2 \vee n$ implies that $x \vee n \in I \vee \langle j_2 \vee n \rangle_n$

Similarly, $n \leq x \vee n \leq i_4 \vee k_4 \vee n$ implies that

Thus, $x \vee n \in (I \vee \langle j_2 \vee n \rangle_n) \subseteq (I \vee (J \cap K))$.

If I is distributive, then the condition clearly holds from the definition. To prove the converse, suppose given equation holds for all $a, b \in L$, let J and K be any two n -ideals of L .

Obviously, $I \vee (J \cap K) \subseteq (I \vee J) \cap (I \vee K)$. ■

Theorem.5.1.2: An element a of a lattice L is distributive if and only if the relation θ_a defined by $x \equiv y \theta_a$ if and only if $x \vee a = y \vee a$ is a congruence.

Theorem5.1.3: If I be n -ideal of a lattice L , is distributive if and only if the relation $\Theta(I)$ defined by $y \equiv x \Theta(I) \forall x, y \in L$ if and any if

$x \vee i_1 = y \vee i_1$ and $x \wedge i_2 = y \wedge i_2$ for some $i_1, i_2 \in I$ in the congruence generated by I .

Proof: At first we shall show that

$y \equiv x \Theta(I)$ if and only if $\langle y \rangle_n = \langle x \rangle_n \Theta_1$ in $I_n(L)$. Let $y \equiv x \Theta(I)$,

Then $y \vee i_1 = x \vee i_1$ and $y \wedge i_2 = x \wedge i_2$ for some $i_1, i_2 \in I$.

Now $y \wedge i_2 = x \wedge i_2 \leq x \leq x \vee i_1 = y \vee i_1$ implies that $x \in \langle y \rangle_n \vee I$.

Therefore, $\langle y \rangle_n \vee I = \langle x \rangle_n \vee I$.

Which implies that $\langle y \rangle_n \equiv \langle x \rangle_n \Theta_1$ in $I_n(L)$.

Conversely, $\langle y \rangle_n = \langle x \rangle_n \Theta_1$ in $I_n(L)$

then $\langle y \rangle_n \vee I = \langle x \rangle_n \vee I$.

Again, $y \in \langle x \rangle_n \vee I$, and so $x \wedge n \wedge i_1 \leq y \leq x \vee n \vee i_2$.

Similarly, $x \wedge n \wedge i_3 \leq x \leq y \vee n \vee i_4$.

This $y \leq x \vee n \vee i_2 \leq y \vee n \vee i_2 \vee i_4$

Which implies $y \vee n \vee i_2 \vee i_4 = x \vee n \vee i_2 \vee i_4$.

Similarly $y \wedge n \wedge i_1 \wedge i_3 = x \wedge n \wedge i_1 \wedge i_3$.

That is $y \vee i = x \vee i$ and $y \wedge j = x \wedge j$

Where $i = n \vee i_2 \vee i_4$ and $j = n \wedge i_1 \wedge i_3$.

Therefore $y \equiv x \Theta(I)$.

Above proof shows that $\Theta(I)$ is a congruence in L if and only if Θ_1 is a congruence in $I_n(L)$. But by lemma 5.1.2 Θ_1 is a congruency if and only if I is distributive in $I_n(L)$ and completes the proof. ■

Theorem: 5.1.4: If n be a neutral element of a lattice L and $P_1 \wedge n, \dots, P_m \vee n$ are distributive in L . Then finitely generated n -ideals $\langle P_1, P_2, \dots, P_m \rangle_n$ is distributive.

Proof: Suppose $P_1 \wedge n, \dots, P_m \wedge n$ are *dual distributive* and $P_1 \vee n, \dots, P_m \vee n$ are *distributive* in a lattice L . let $J, K \in I_n(L)$.

Suppose $x \in (\langle P_1, \dots, P_m \rangle_n \vee J) \cap (\langle P_1, \dots, P_m \rangle_n \vee K)$.

Then by using *distributivity* of $P_1 \vee n, \dots, P_m \vee n$.

We have, $x \leq (P_1 \vee \dots \vee P_m \vee n \vee j) \wedge (P_1 \vee \dots \vee P_m \vee n \vee K)$

$= (p_1 \vee n) \vee [(p_2 \vee \dots \vee p_m \vee n \vee j) \wedge (p_2 \vee \dots \vee p_m \vee n \vee k)]$

for some $j \in J, k \in K$.

$= (p_1 \vee n) \vee (p_2 \vee n) \vee \dots \vee (p_m \vee n) \vee (j \wedge k)$.

$= (p_1 \vee p_2 \vee \dots \vee p_m \vee n) \vee [(j \vee n) \wedge (k \vee n)]$

But, $(j \vee n) \wedge (k \vee n) = m(j \vee n, n, k \vee n) \in J \cap K$.

Dually using the *dual distributivity* of $p_1 \wedge n, \dots, p_m \wedge n$,

It is easy to see that,

$p_1 \wedge p_2 \wedge \dots \wedge p_m \wedge n \wedge ((j_1 \wedge n) \vee (k_1 \wedge n)) \leq x$

for some $j_1 \in J, k_1 \in K$.

Moreover, $(j_1 \wedge n) \vee (k_1 \wedge n) = m(j_1 \wedge n, n, k_1 \wedge n) \in J \cap K$.

Thus by *convexity*, Since the reverse inclusion is

$x \in \langle p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m \rangle_n \vee (J \cap K)$.

so $\langle p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m \rangle_n$ is *distributive*.

It should be mentioned that the converse of above result is not necessarily true. For example consider the following *lattice*.

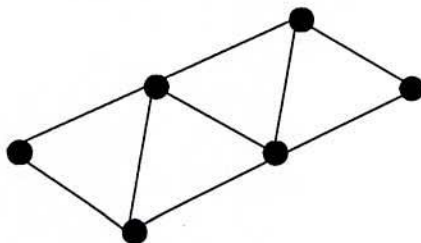


Figure: 5.1

Here $\langle a, f \rangle_n = L$ which is of course *distributive* in $I_n(L)$.

But neither $a \vee n$ nor $f \vee n$ is *distributive* in L .

But the converse holds for *principal n-ideals*. ■

Definition (neutral element of a lattice): An element $n \in L$ is called *neutral* if it is *standard* and for all $x, y \in L$. $n \wedge (x \vee y) = (n \wedge y)$. By [15], we know that $n \in L$ is *neutral* if and only if for all $x, y \in L$.

$$m(x, n, y) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge n) \vee (y \wedge n) = (x \vee y) \wedge (x \vee n) \wedge (y \vee n).$$

Ofcourse 0 and 1 of a *lattice* are always *neutral*, of course every element of a *distributive lattice* is *distributive*, *standard* and *neutral*.

Theorem : 5.1.5: Suppose n be a *neutral* element of $I_n(L)$. Then $a \wedge n$ is *dual distributive* and $a \vee n$ is *distributive* if and only if $\langle a \rangle_n$ is *distributive*.

Proof: Suppose $\langle a \rangle_n$ is *distributive* and $b, c \in L$.

$$\text{Then } \langle a \rangle_n \vee (\langle b \rangle_n \cap \langle c \rangle_n) = (\langle a \rangle_n \vee \langle b \rangle_n) \cap (\langle a \rangle_n \vee \langle c \rangle_n).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus, } [a \wedge n, a \vee n] \vee ([b \wedge n, b \vee n] \cap [a \wedge c \wedge n, a \vee c \vee n]) \\ = [a \wedge b \wedge n, a \vee b \vee n] \cap [a \wedge c \wedge n, a \vee c \vee n] \end{aligned}$$

This implies,

$$a \wedge n \wedge ((b \wedge n) \vee (c \wedge n)) = (a \wedge b \wedge n) \vee (a \wedge c \wedge n)$$

$$\text{and } a \vee n \vee ((b \vee n) \wedge (c \vee n)) = (a \vee b \vee n) \wedge (a \vee c \vee n)$$

$$\text{That is } (a \wedge n) \wedge (b \vee c) = (a \wedge b \wedge c) \vee (a \wedge c \wedge n)$$

$$\text{and } (a \vee n) \vee (b \wedge c) = (a \vee b \vee n) \wedge (a \vee c \vee n),$$

as n is *neutral* Therefore, $a \wedge n$ is *dual distributive* and $a \vee n$ is *distributive* in a *lattice* L .

To prove the converse, suppose $a \wedge n$ is *dual distributive* and $a \vee n$ is *distributive*. Then by theorem 5.1.4 $\langle a \rangle_n$ is *distributive*.

Theorem: 5.1.6: Let I be a *distributive n -ideal* of a lattice L . Then $I_n(L)$ is isomorphic with the *lattice* of all *n -ideals* of L containing I , that is, with $[I, L]$ in $I_n(L)$.

Proof: Let φ be the *homomorphism* $x \rightarrow [x]_{\Theta(I)}$ onto $\frac{L}{\Theta(I)}$.

Then it is easily to see that the map $\psi : K \rightarrow K\varphi^{-1}$ maps $I_n\left(\frac{L}{\Theta(I)}\right)$ into $[I, L]$. To show that Ψ is onto, it is sufficient to see that $[J]_{\Theta(I)} = J$ for all $j \supseteq I$. Indeed, if $j \in J$ and $a \in L$ with $j \equiv a_{\Theta(I)}$, then $J \vee i = a \vee i$ and $j \wedge i_1$ for some $i, i_1 \in I$. Thus $j \wedge i_1 \leq a \leq j \vee i$. Since $j \wedge i_1, j \vee i \in j$, so by convexity $a \in J$. Moreover, Ψ is obviously an *isotone* and *one-one*. Therefore, it is an *isomorphism*. ■

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The *n-ideal* generated by p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m is denoted by

$$\langle p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m \rangle_n,$$

clearly, $\langle p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m \rangle_n = \langle p_1 \rangle_n \vee \langle p_2 \rangle_n \vee \dots \vee \langle p_m \rangle_n.$

2. Modular n-ideals of a lattice

Introduction: An n -ideal M of a lattice L is called a *modular n-ideal* if it is a *modular* element of the lattice $I_n(L)$. In other words is called *Modular* if for all $H, K \in I_n(L)$ with $K \subseteq I$,

$$H \cap (M \vee K) = (H \cap M) \vee K.$$

We know from [24] that a lattice L is *modular* if and only if its every element is *modular*. Also from [20]. We know that for a *neutral* element n of a lattice L , L is *modular* if and only if $I_n(L)$ is so.

Thus for a *neutral* element n , the lattice L is *modular* if and only if it every n -ideal is *modular*. Following result gives a characterization of *modular n-ideals* of a lattice.

Theorem :5.2.1: An n -ideal M of a lattice L is *modular* if and only if for any $J, K \in P_n(L)$ with $K \subseteq J$, $(J \cap M) \vee K = J \cap (M \vee K)$.

Proof: Suppose M is *modular lattice* of $I_n(L)$. The above relation obviously holds from the definition. Conversely, Suppose $(J \cap K) \vee K = J \cap (M \vee K)$ for all $J, K \in P_n(L)$ with $K \subseteq J$. Let $S, T \in I_n(L)$ with $T \subseteq S$.

We have to show that, $(S \cap M) \vee T = S \cap (M \vee T)$.

Clearly, $(S \cap M) \vee T \subseteq S \cap (M \vee T)$.

To prove the reverse inclusion let $x \in S \cap (M \vee T)$.

Then $x \in S$ and $x \in (M \vee T)$.

Then, $m \wedge t \leq x \leq m_1 \vee t_1$. for some $m_1, m_1 \in M, t, t_1 \in T$.

Thus, $x \vee n \leq x \leq m_1 \vee t_1 \vee n$.

Which implies $x \vee n \in \langle m_1 \vee n \rangle_n \vee \langle t_1 \vee n \rangle_n \subseteq M \vee \langle t_1 \vee n \rangle_n$

Moreover, $x \vee n \in \langle x \vee t_1 \vee n \rangle_n$ and $\langle x \vee t_1 \vee n \rangle_n \supseteq \langle t_1 \vee n \rangle_n$.

Hence by the given Condition, $x \vee n \in \langle x \vee t_1 \vee n \rangle_n \cap (M \vee \langle t_1 \vee n \rangle_n)$
 $= (\langle x \vee t_1 \vee n \rangle_n \cap M) \vee \langle t_1 \vee n \rangle_n \subseteq (S \cap M) \vee T.$

By a dual proof of above we can easily see that $x \wedge n \in (S \cap M) \vee T.$

Thus by Convexity $x \in (S \cap M) \vee T.$ ■

Theorem.5.2.2: Suppose n is a *neutral* element of a *lattice* L . Then $M \in I_n(L)$ is *modular* if and only if for and only if for any $x \in M \vee \langle y \rangle_n$ with $\langle Y \rangle_n \subseteq \langle x \rangle_n$, $x = (x \wedge m_1) \vee (x \wedge y) = (x \vee m_2) \wedge (x \vee y)$ for some $m_1, m_2 \in M.$

Proof: Suppose M is *modular* and $x \in M \vee \langle y \rangle_n.$

Then $x \in \langle x \rangle_n \cap (M \vee \langle y \rangle_n) = (\langle x \rangle_n \cap M) \vee \langle y \rangle_n.$

This impels $p \wedge y \wedge n \leq x \leq q \vee y \vee n.$

for some $p, q \in \langle x \rangle_n \cap M.$

By Proposition 1.1.1, $q \in \langle x \rangle_n \cap M.$

Implies that $q = (x \vee q) \vee (x \wedge n) \vee (q \wedge n) = (x \wedge (q \vee n)) \vee (q \wedge n).$

Thus, $x \vee n \leq (x \wedge (q \vee n)) \vee y \vee n \leq x \vee n,$

which implies $x \vee n = (x \wedge (q \vee n)) \vee y \vee n =$

$(x \wedge (q \vee n)) \vee y \wedge (x \vee n) \vee n.$

$= (x \wedge (q \vee n)) \vee (x \wedge y) \vee n,$ an n is *neutral*. Hence by the

neutrality of n again, $x = x \wedge (x \vee n) = x \wedge [(x \wedge (q \vee n)) \vee (x \wedge y) \vee n]$

$= (x \wedge [(x \wedge (q \vee n)) \vee (x \wedge y)]) \vee (x \wedge n)$

$= (x \wedge (q \vee n)) \vee (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge n).$

$= (x \wedge (q \vee n)) \vee (x \wedge y),$

Which is the first relation where $m_1 = q \vee n \in M.$

A dual Proof of above establishes the second relation.

Conversely, let $\langle y \rangle_n \subseteq \langle x \rangle_n$, By theorem 5.2.1, we need to show that

$$\langle x \rangle_n \cap (M \vee \langle y \rangle_n) = \langle x \rangle_n \cap (M \vee \langle y \rangle_n) =$$

Clearly R.H.S \subseteq L.H.S.

To prove the reverse inclusion let $t \in \langle x \rangle_n \cap (M \vee \langle y \rangle_n)$.

Then $t \in \langle x \rangle_n$ and $t \in M \vee \langle y \rangle_n$.

Then $m \wedge y \wedge n \leq t \leq m_1 \vee y \vee n$. for some $m, m_1 \in M$.

Thus, $t \vee y \vee n \leq m_1 \vee y \vee n$, and so $t \vee y \vee n \in M \vee \langle y \vee n \rangle_n$,

and $\langle y \vee n \rangle_n \subseteq \langle t \vee y \vee n \rangle_n$.

So by the given condition $t \vee y \vee n = ((t \vee y \vee n) \wedge m') \vee (y \vee n)$ for

some $m' \in M$. Since $t, y \in \langle x \rangle_n$,

So $t \vee y \vee n \in \langle x \rangle_n$.

Moreover, by the neutrality of n ,

$$((t \vee y \vee n) \wedge m') \vee (y \vee n)$$

$$= ((t \vee y \vee n) \wedge (m' \vee n)) \vee y.$$

$$= m(t \vee y \vee n, n, m') \vee y \in (\langle x \rangle_n \cap M) \vee \langle y \rangle_n.$$

Therefore, $t \vee y \vee n \in (\langle x \rangle_n \cap M) \vee \langle y \rangle_n$.

By the dual proof we can show that $t \wedge y \wedge n \in (\langle x \rangle_n \cap M) \vee \langle y \rangle_n$.

Thus, by the convexity, $t \in (\langle x \rangle_n \cap M) \vee \langle y \rangle_n$.

Therefore, $\langle x \rangle_n \cap (M \vee \langle y \rangle_n) = (\langle x \rangle_n \cap M) \vee \langle y \rangle_n$.

and so by Theorem 5.2.1, M is *Modular*. ■

Theorem.5.2.3: Let M is a *modular n-ideal* and I be any n -ideal of L and I be only n -ideal of L and n be a neutral element of a lattice L . Then $I_n(L)$ is principal if $M \vee I = \langle a \rangle_n$ and $M \cap I = \langle b \rangle_n$.

Theorem.5.2.4: Let I and J be ideals of a join Semi-lattice then $I \vee J = \{t / t \leq i \vee j, i \in I, j \in J\}$.

Proof: Suppose a modular lattice L is distributive. Then clearly, $R.H.S \leq I \vee J$. Now let, $t \in I \vee J$.

Then we have $t \leq i \vee j$ for some $i \in I$ and $j \in J$.

$$\therefore t = t \wedge (i \vee j).$$

$$= (t \wedge i) \vee (t \wedge j)$$

$$= i' \vee j' \text{ where } i' = t \wedge i \in I \text{ and } j' = t \wedge j \in J.$$

Hence $t \in R.H.S$.

$$\therefore I \vee J \leq R.H.S.$$

Therefore, $I \vee J = \{i \vee j / i \in I, j \in J\}$

Conversely, Suppose L is not distributive.

Therefore it contains elements a, b, c is M_5 or N_5 .

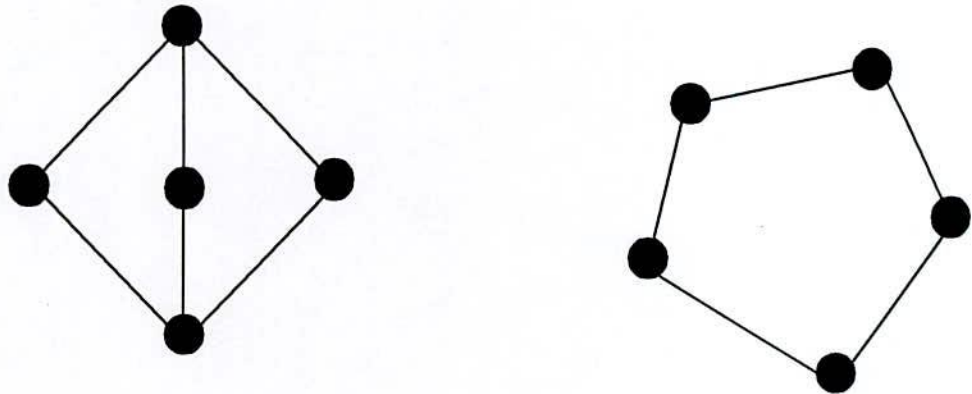


Figure-5.2

Let $I = (b]$ and $J = (c]$ since $a \leq b \vee c$, Then we have $a \in I \vee J$.

However a has no representation as in given theorem. For if

$$a = i \vee j, i \in I, j \in J$$

Then $j \leq a$. also $j \leq c$

Therefore $j \leq a \wedge c < b$. Thus $j \in I$

Which gives a contradiction.

Hence L is distributive. ■

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2. Modular n -ideals of a lattice

Introduction: An n -ideal M of a lattice L is called a *modular n -ideal* if it is a *modular* element of the lattice $I_n(L)$. In other words is called *Modular* if for all $H, K \in I_n(L)$ with $K \subseteq I$,

$$H \cap (M \vee K) = (H \cap M) \vee K.$$

We know from [24] that a lattice L is *modular* if and only if its every element is *modular*. Also from [20]. We know that for a *neutral* element n of a lattice L , L is *modular* if and only if $I_n(L)$ is so.

Thus for a *neutral* element n , the lattice L is *modular* if and only if it every n -ideal is *modular*. Following result gives a characterization of *modular n -ideals* of a lattice.

Theorem :5.2.1: An n -ideal M of a lattice L is *modular* if and only if for any $J, K \in P_n(L)$ with $K \subseteq J$, $(J \cap M) \vee K = J \cap (M \vee K)$.

Proof: Suppose M is *modular* lattice of $I_n(L)$. The above relation obviously holds from the definition. Conversely, Suppose $(J \cap K) \vee K = J \cap (M \vee K)$ for all $J, K \in P_n(L)$ with $K \subseteq J$. Let $S, T \in I_n(L)$ with $T \subseteq S$.

We have to show that, $(S \cap M) \vee T = S \cap (M \vee T)$.

Clearly, $(S \cap M) \vee T \subseteq S \cap (M \vee T)$.

To prove the reverse inclusion let $x \in S \cap (M \vee T)$.

Then $x \in S$ and $x \in (M \vee T)$.

Then, $m \wedge t \leq x \leq m_1 \vee t_1$. for some $m, m_1 \in M, t, t_1 \in T$.

Thus, $x \vee n \leq x \leq m_1 \vee t_1 \vee n$.

Which implies $x \vee n \in \langle m_1 \vee n \rangle_n \vee \langle t_1 \vee n \rangle_n \subseteq M \vee \langle t_1 \vee n \rangle_n$.

Moreover, $x \vee n \in \langle x \vee t_1 \vee n \rangle_n$ and $\langle x \vee t_1 \vee n \rangle_n \supseteq \langle t_1 \vee n \rangle_n$.