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Hello friends, welcome to my lecture on Lattices, let us (cons) continue with our discussion of different types of Lattices. Let us discuss now a distributive lattice, ok.

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Distributive lattices

Definition: A lattice is said to be distributive if for any element a, b and c of L we have the following Distributive Laws:

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

Otherwise, L is said to be non-distributive. Note that by the principle of duality (a) holds if and only if (b) holds.



A Lattice is set to be distributive if for any elements a, b, c in L we have the following distributive laws, a meet b join c equal to a meet to b join a meet c and a join b meet c equal to a join b and a meet a join c , ok. So, if any lattice satisfies these two distributive laws then it will be called a distributive lattice. Otherwise, we can call L to be a non-distributive lattice. Now, by the principle of duality it follows that if a holds good then a lattice then b also holds good, so if a holds good if and only b hold good b holds good.

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Example: The power set P of a set A is a lattice under the operations \cup and \cap . Is P a distributive lattice?

$P(A)$ distributive lattice

$P(A)$ is a Lattice

$M, N \in P(A)$ then
 $M \cup N = N \cup M$
 $M \cap N = N \cap M$

Let $B, C, D \in P(A)$ then
 $B \cap (C \cup D) = (B \cap C) \cup (B \cap D)$
 $B \cup (C \cap D) = (B \cup C) \cap (B \cup D)$



Now, let us consider this example the power set P of a set A , we have to see is a lattice under the operations of union and intersection. Is P a distributive lattice? This we know that P is a power set $P A$ is a lattice under the operations of union, so join operation is the union operation here and meet operation is the intersection operation, if you take two (ele) elements P belonging to $P A$ say M, N belong to $P A$ then $M \cup N$ defines is equal to M join N and $M \cap N$ is equal to M intersection N .

So, with these two operations defined as $M \cup N$ and $M \cap N$ it follows that the power set $P A$ is a lattice.

Now, let us see whether it is a distributive lattice, so let us say let us take three sets belonging to $P A$, so B, C, D let us say B, C, D belong to $P A$, ok then we know that, then we know from said theory that $B \cap (C \cup D) = (B \cap C) \cup (B \cap D)$ equal to $B \cap (C \cup D)$, ok.

So, this we can write as by this notation $B \cap (C \cup D) = (B \cap C) \cup (B \cap D)$, ok. So, this means that the $P A$, ok in $P A$ if you take any three sets B, C, D then they satisfies these distributive law for lattices, ok and by duality theory, by duality? Again the other distributive law also holds good, so we just have to prove one duality law, the other follows by the duality principle, ok so thus $P A$ is a distributive lattice, $P A$ is a distributive lattice.

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Theorem: Every chain is a distributive lattice. ✓

Proof: Let (L, \lesssim) be a chain and $a, b, c \in L$. Since L is a chain, either $a \lesssim b$ or $b \lesssim a$. Let $a \lesssim b$ then $a \vee b = b$ and $a \wedge b = a$. Hence for any $a, b \in L$, both $a \vee b$ and $a \wedge b$ exist. Hence L is a lattice.

Suppose $a \lesssim b$ ✓

case 1: $b \lesssim c$

$a \lesssim b, b \lesssim c \Rightarrow a \lesssim c$ because L is a poset. Now, we show that

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

Since $a \lesssim b$, we have

$a \vee b = b$
 $a \wedge b = a$

$a \wedge c = a$
 $RHS = a \vee a = a$
 $LHS = a \wedge c = a$

(1)

$a \wedge b = a$ ✓

Now, let us go to this theorem, let us now prove that every chain is a distributive lattice? So let L with this operation is a chain, ok then any two elements belonging to L are comparable, that means if a and b belong to L either a precedes b or b precedes a , ok. Now, let us take three elements a, b, c belonging to L , then if L is a chain either a precedes b or b precedes a .

Let us consider that a precedes b , ok then $a \vee b$ (join) equal to b and $a \wedge b$ (meet) equal to a , ok hence for any a, b belonging to L both $a \vee b$ and $a \wedge b$ they exist and therefore L is a lattice, ok. Chain is a poset, ok where any two elements are comparable it becomes a lattice if it, if you take it any elements a, b belonging to L , ok then it is greatest lower bound glb of a, b and lub of a, b they belong to L . So here we find that lub of a, b that is a join b and glb of a, b that is a meet a they belong to L , therefore L is a lattice.

Now, let us assume that b precedes c , ok then let us consider various possibilities. First we consider the case where a precedes b , so a precedes b , b precedes c , now a precedes b and b precedes c means a precedes c because L is a poset, ok. So by transitivity a precedes c . Now, let us show that this distributive law holds good here, ok. Since, a precedes b we have $a \wedge b = a$ (persi) $a \vee b = b$, ok $a \wedge b = a$, so this is equal to a , a precedes c gives $a \wedge c = a$, ok, so $a \wedge c$ is equal to a therefore right hand side will be equal to $a \vee a = a$, ok and $a \vee b = b$, so right side is a , left side is $a \wedge (b \vee c)$, now $b \vee c = c$, so $b \vee c$ is equal to c , so we get $a \wedge c = a$.

Now, a precedes c therefore a join c equal to L a meet c equal to a, ok so left side is a and right side is also a, so they are equal, so when a precedes b and b precedes c then the distributive law holds good.

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$a \preceq c \Rightarrow a \wedge c = a$ (2)

$b \preceq c \Rightarrow b \vee c = c$

$a \wedge (b \vee c) = a \wedge c = a$ as $a \preceq c$ (3)

(1) and (2) implies

$(a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge c) = a \vee a = a$ (4)

Thus (3) and (4) implies

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

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Now, let us consider the case 2, ok. So this is what I have explained just now, ok in the case where a precedes b and b precedes c the distributive law holds good.

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case 2: $b \preceq c$ or $c \preceq b$, ✓

case 2(a): Let $a \preceq b$ ✓

$a \preceq b, b \preceq c$
2(a) $a \preceq c$

$a \preceq b \Rightarrow a \wedge b = a$ ✓

$b \preceq c \Rightarrow b \vee c = b$ ✓

which implies

$a \wedge (b \vee c) = a \wedge b = a, a \preceq b$ ✓

$a \wedge c = a$ ✓

$\Rightarrow (a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge c) = a \vee a = a = a \wedge (b \vee c)$ ✓

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Let us go to the case 2, ok. So, now let us assume that b succeed c, ok b succeed c, so b succeed c means, let b succeed c or c is c precedes b, ok they are same things, b succeed c or c precedes b. Early we have discussed b precedes c, now we are discussing c precedes b, ok.

So, now here there are two possibilities in case 2 again we have two cases, ok 1 case is that a precedes c the other case will be a succeed c or you can say c precedes a.



So, what we are doing is now, we are assuming that a precedes b, ok then b precedes c, ok these are given to us. Now, we are considering 2 a case, 2 a case is a precedes c, ok so we are given this. Now, a precedes b imply that a meet b equal to a and b precedes b succeeds c, ok b succeeds c there, b succeed c implies that b join c equal to b, ok and so, now let us the we are to prove the distributive law, so a meet b join c is equal to a meet b join c equal to b, so we have a meet b and a is a precedes b, so a meet b will be equal to a, ok because of we said that a precedes b.

Now, a precedes c, so a meet c equal to a, ok so what we have? So a meet b join a meet c how much is that? a meet b equal to a, so we get a here join a meet c equal to a so we get a join a and a join a equal to a and this side, ok a join a meet b join c, ok we have already found equal to a, so they are equal, ok so distributive law holds good. Now, let us consider case 2 b where we will assume that a succeed c or you can say c precedes a, ok.

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$$\begin{array}{l} a \leq b, b \leq c \\ c \leq a \end{array}$$

Case 2(b): Let $c \preceq a$.
 Thus, $a \preceq b, c \preceq b, c \preceq a$. To prove $a \wedge (b \vee c) = (a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge c)$, we have
 $a \wedge (b \vee c) = a \wedge b = a$ and $(a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge c) = a \vee c = a$. Similarly, if $b \preceq a$, we can
 prove $a \wedge (b \vee c) = (a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge c)$.


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case 2: $b \succ c$ or $c \succ b$,
 case 2(a): Let $a \succ c$

$a \leq b, b \succ c$
 $2(a) \quad a \leq c$

$$a \succ b \Rightarrow a \wedge b = a$$

$$b \succ c \Rightarrow b \vee c = b$$

which implies

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

$$a \wedge c = a$$

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

$a \succ c$

So, let us case 2 let c precedes a, so, now we have the following a precedes b, ok a precedes b and b succeed c and c precedes a, ok so, now let c precedes a, ok c precedes a when c precedes a then what we have? a precedes b, ok c precedes b, ok and then we have c precedes a. Now, let us prove that distributive law holds good? So a meet b join c, ok b join c is how much? b join c when you join b when you join b and c, b succeeds c, so b join c will give you b, ok.

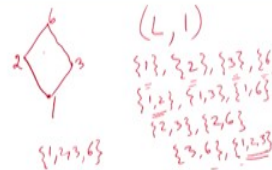
So, a meet b, ok and a meet b will be equal to a because a precedes b, so this is equal to a, so left hand side is a, and right hand side is a meet b join a meet c, a meet b equal to a, ok because a precedes b, ok and a joins a meet c, a meet c equal to c because c precedes a, so we have a join c and a join c is equal to a because c precedes a, ok so we have a here, so again they are equal. Similarly, now if we consider we started with a precedes b, ok similarly we take b precedes a we can prove that distributive law holds good.

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Complete Lattice

A lattice is called complete if each of its non-empty subsets has a least upper bound and a greatest lower bound.

Example: Consider the lattice $L = \{1, 2, 3, 6\}$ under the divisibility relation. Then $(L, |)$ is a complete lattice.



Now, let us go to (complete) complete Lattice. A lattice is called complete if each of its non-empty subsets has a least upper bound and a greatest lower bound. Let us consider this lattice $(1, 2, 3, 6)$ 1, 2, 3 and we have 6, ok clearly 1, 2, 3, 6 is a lattice under the divisibility relation.

Now, L we have to show that L with divisibility relation is a complete lattice, you take any (two) any subset of this, ok any subset of this you, so subset of this or what? Non-empty subsets are 1, 2, 3, 6, ok they are semi latin sets and then 1, 2 1, 3 1, 6, ok 1, 2 1, 3 1, 6 then you can say we have 2, 3 2, 6, ok and we can have 3, 6 and we have 1, 2, 3 like this three elements, ok.

So 1, 2, 3 then 1, 3, 6 then 1, 2, 6 like that, ok so all these subsets, ok and ultimately we will have 1, 2, 3, 6 the entire set, ok all these subsets of L under the divisibility operation, ok have the least and the greatest, least upper bound and greatest lower bound, ok. For example, in case of 1, 2, 3, 6 there are themselves the least upper bound and the greatest lower bounds because they are semi latin sets, ok and in case of 1, 2; 1 is the least upper bound, ok 1 is the greatest lower bound, 2 is the least upper bound, ok and in the case of say 1, 2, 3; 1 is the least greatest lower bound, 3 is the least upper bound, so like that and so they all belong to the sets and therefore L is a complete lattice.

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Example: Every finite lattice is complete.

Every finite lattice is bounded
Let L be a finite lattice
then L is bounded
Any subset of L
is again a finite set
All non-empty subsets
of L have the least
element and
the greatest element



Every finite lattice is complete. Now, every finite lattice we have shown, every finite lattice is bounded, ok every finite lattice is, so, let us say let the lattice be L , then let L be the finite, L be a finite lattice, then L is bounded and so L has least element of L has the least element and the greatest element, ok if you take any subset of L , ok any subset of L is or again a finite set, ok and therefore is bounded and a bounded lattice has least element and greatest element.

So, all non-empty subsets of L will have a least element and greatest element, have the least element because they are bounded and therefore, every finite lattice is complete.

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Complement of an element in a Lattice

Let (L, \preceq) be a lattice and let 0 and 1 be its lower and upper bounds. If $a \in L$ is an element then an element b is called complement of a if

$$a \vee b = 1 \text{ and } a \wedge b = 0.$$



Now, complement of an element in a lattice, let L with this operation be a lattice and let 0 and 1 denote its lower and upper bounds, that mean is 0 is the least element of L and 1 is the greatest element of L , if a is any element belonging to L , ok then an element b is called complement of a if $a \vee b = 1$ and $a \wedge b = 0$.



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Complemented lattice

Let (L, \preceq) be a lattice with universal bounds 0 and 1 . The lattice L is said to be complemented lattice if every element in L has a complement i.e.

$$\underline{a \vee 1 = 1}, \underline{a \wedge 1 = a}$$

$$\underline{a \wedge 0 = 0}, \underline{a \vee 0 = a}$$


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Complemented lattice. Let L with again the operation precedes b a lattice with universal bounds, we called 0 and 1 which are least and greatest element or I mean named as universal bounds. So, let this be a lattice with universal bound 0 and 1 , the lattice L is called complemented lattice if every element in L has a complement, ok that is you take any element L , any element a belonging to L then $a \vee 1 = 1$, $a \wedge 1 = a$, $a \vee 0 = a$, $a \wedge 0 = 0$. So, we will then say that L is a complemented lattice if every element in L has a complement.

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Example

The lattice $(P(S), \subseteq)$ of the power set of any set S is complemented. In this lattice each element has unique complement.

$$\begin{aligned} \{P(S), \subseteq\} \quad & 0 = \phi \quad \begin{matrix} \text{map } V \rightarrow V \\ \text{map } X \rightarrow \neg \end{matrix} \\ & 1 = S \\ & A \in P(S) \\ & \text{then } S-A \text{ is the complement of } A \\ & \text{because } A \cup (S-A) = S = 1 \\ & A \cap (S-A) = \phi = 0 \\ S-A \in P(S) \end{aligned}$$



Complemented lattice

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$$\begin{aligned} a \vee 1 &= 1, a \wedge 1 = a \\ a \wedge 0 &= 0, a \vee 0 = a \end{aligned}$$



Complement of an element in a Lattice

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For example, let us $P(S)$, ok with inclusion relation, $P(S)$ is the power set of any set S is complemented that means we have to (consi) show that every element belonging to $P(S)$ has a complement, ok and then it will be called as a complemented lattice, ok and we said that as we have seen here complement means if a is an element of L , then b will be called a complement of a if $a \vee b = 1$ and $a \wedge b = 0$.

So, let us first see what are the lowest and greatest elements here in the $P(S)$ that is 0 , 0 what is 0 ? In the $P(S)$ with the inclusion relation, ok 0 is equal to ϕ , ok 0 equal to ϕ and 1 equal to S . Now, you take any A belonging to S , ok let A belong to $P(S)$, then $S - A$, $S - A$ is the complement of A because $A \cup (S - A) = S$ now, $A \cup (S - A)$, ok so meet here is union and sorry join here is join is union and meet is intersection, ok.

So, $A \cup (S - A)$ (equal to S) is equal to S , S is this 1 , ok and we have $A \cap (S - A) = \phi$, which is 0 , ok $A \cup (S - A)$ means $A \vee (S - A)$, ok $A \vee (S - A) = S = 1$ and $A \cap (S - A) = \phi = 0$, so $S - A$ is a complement of A , ok and $S - A$ belongs to $P(S)$ because $P(S)$ consist of all subsets of the set S , ok.

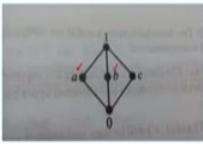
So, for each A belonging to $P(S)$ there exist an element B , B will be equal to $S - A$ which belongs to $P(S)$ and satisfies $A \vee B = 1$, $A \cap B = \phi$. So, it is a complemented lattice and the each in this lattice each element has a unique complement, ok it does not happen that one element has two complements, ok take any set A belonging to $P(S)$ its complement is unique.

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Example

The lattice with the figure (c) shown below is complemented. In this lattice, complements are not unique. Both a and b are complements of c .

(c)



$a \vee b = 1$
 $a \wedge b = 0$
 $b \vee c = 1$
 $b \wedge c = 0$
 also $a \vee c = 1$
 $a \wedge c = 0$
 There are two complements of c , they are a & b



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The lattice with the figure c, let us look at this figures c, this fig this is a complemented lattice we can see here, you take any two elements let us say a and b, ok take a and b, 1 is the greatest element, 0 is the least element, ok. So b is the complement of a, ok b is the complement of a, because $a \vee b = 1$, and $a \wedge b = 0$, ok right. Now, so b is complement of a, right and then b, c if I take b, c, then $b \vee c = 1$ and $b \wedge c = 0$, ok also $a \vee c = 1$, a and c if you consider their join is also 1, that mean is 1 is the greatest element or the least upper bound of a and c and $a \wedge c = 0$ the greatest lower bound of a and c is 0.

So, what do we notice here? There are two complements of c, there are two complements of c, they are a and b, ok. So, the complement it need not be unique, ok. In this case, you can see one element c has two complements, ok both a and b. So, with this I would like to end my lecture, thank you very much for your attention.