

TUTORIAL 4

- 1) Given the poset $(\{1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 10, 20, 30, 60, 70\}, |)$
 - a) Draw the Hasse Diagram for this poset.
 - b) Find the maximal elements.
 - c) Find the minimal elements.
 - d) Find the greatest element
 - e) Find the least element
 - f) Find all upper bounds of $\{2, 5\}$
 - g) Find the least upper bound of $\{2, 5\}$ (if it exists)
 - h) Find all lower bounds of $\{6, 10\}$
 - i) Find the greatest lower bound of $\{6, 10\}$ (if it exists)
 - j) is this poset a lattice? Justify your answer

Solution:-

ques14. <http://web.mnstate.edu/jamesju/Fall2011/Content/M310Exam3F11PracSoln.pdf>

- 2) Let $S = \{x, y, z\}$, and consider the set $P(S)$ with relation R given by set inclusion. Is R a partial order?

Solution:

R is a partial order (i.e., R is reflexive, antisymmetric, and transitive). Recall elements $A, B \in P(S)$ are subsets $A, B \subseteq S$. Then, $A R B$ if and only if $A \subseteq B$. R is reflexive since $A \subseteq A$ always. R is antisymmetric since if $A \subseteq B$ and $B \subseteq A$, then $A = B$. R is transitive since if $A \subseteq B$ and $B \subseteq C$, then $A \subseteq C$.

- 3) Prove that the direct product of any two distributive lattice is a distributive.

Proof : Question 58 http://iETE-elan.ac.in/SolQP/soln/AC10_sol.pdf

- 4) Prove that if l_1 and l_2 are elements of a lattice $\langle L; \vee, \wedge \rangle$ then

$$(l_1 \vee l_2 = l_1) \leftrightarrow (l_1 \wedge l_2 = l_2) \leftrightarrow (l_1 \leq l_2)$$

Proof: Let us use $b = l_1$ and $a = l_2$. It is given that $a \vee b = b$. Since $a \vee b$ is an upper bound of a , $a \leq a \vee b$. This implies $a \leq b$.

Next, let $a \leq b$. Since \leq is a partial order relation, $b \leq b$. Thus, $a \leq b$ and $b \leq b$ together implies that b is an upper bound of a and b . We know that $a \vee b$ is least upper bound of a and b , so $a \vee b \leq b$. Also $b \leq a \vee b$ because $a \vee b$ is an upper bound of b . Therefore, $a \vee b \leq b$ and $b \leq a \vee b \Leftrightarrow a \vee b = b$ by the anti-symmetry property of partial order relation \leq . Hence, it is proved that $a \vee b = b$ if and only if $a \leq b$.

- 5) If $[L, \wedge, \vee]$ is a complemented and distributive lattice, then the complement of any element $a \in L$ is unique.

Proof :

Ans: Let 1 and 0 are the unit and zero elements of L respectively. Let b and c be two complements of an element $a \in L$. Then from the definition, we have

$$a \wedge b = 0 = a \wedge c \text{ and}$$

$$a \vee b = 1 = a \vee c$$

We can write $b = b \vee 0 = b \vee (a \wedge c)$
 $= (b \vee a) \wedge (b \vee c)$ [since lattice is distributive]

$$= I \wedge (b \vee c)$$

$$= (b \vee c)$$

Similarly, $c = c \vee 0 = c \vee (a \wedge b)$

$$= (c \vee a) \wedge (c \vee b) \text{ [since lattice is distributive]}$$

$$= I \wedge (b \vee c) \text{ [since } \vee \text{ is a commutative operation]}$$

$$= (b \vee c)$$

The above two results show that $b = c$