

* Lattices & Boolean Algebra *

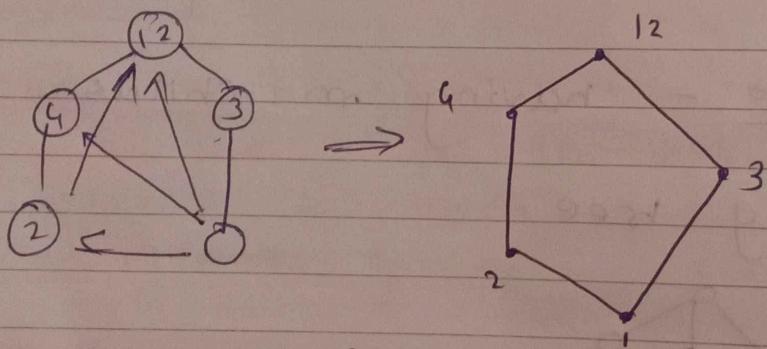
- Partially ordered sets -

- A relation R on a set A is called partial order if R is reflexive, anti-symmetric and transitive.

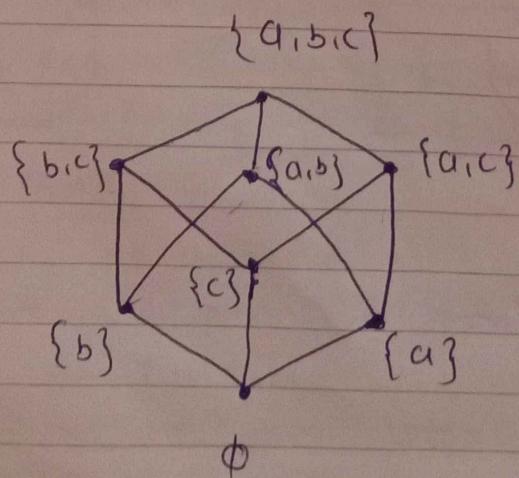
- A set A together with the partial order R is called a partially ordered set, or simply a poset, denoted by (A, R) .

e.g.

- ① let $A = \{1, 12, 13, 4, 12\}$. consider the partial order of divisibility on A . draw the corresponding Hasse diagram.



- ② $S = \{a, b, c\}$ & $A = P(S)$. draw the Hasse diagram of the poset A with the partial order ' \subseteq '.



- Comparable -

If (A, \leq) is a poset, elements a & b are comparable if $a \leq b$ or $b \leq a$.

Note - If every pair of elements in a poset A is comparable, we say that A is linear ordered set, and the partial order is called linear order. We also say that A is a chain or totally ordered set.

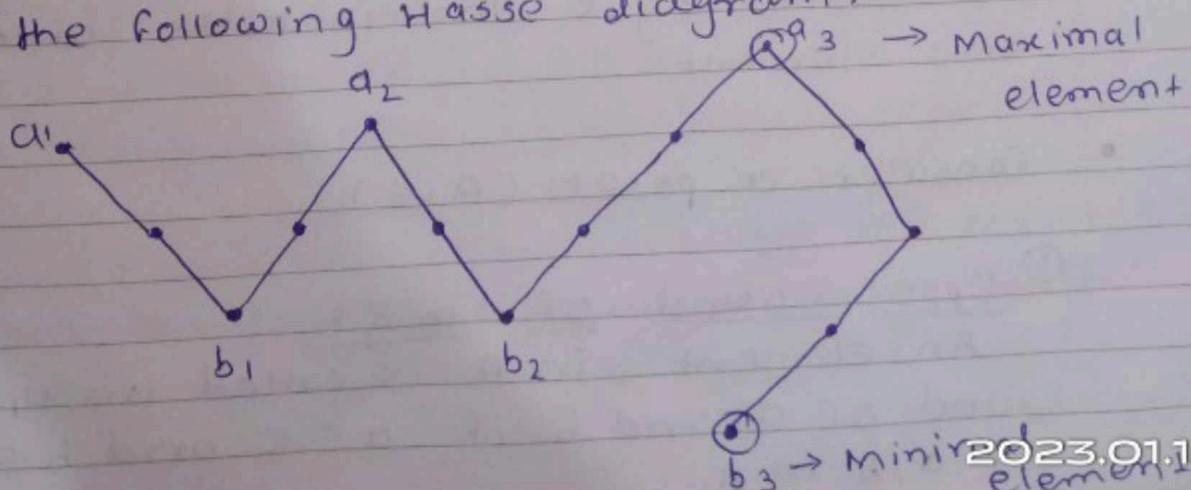
- External Extremal Elements of Partially ordered sets.

Consider a poset (A, \leq)

① Maximal Element - An element a in A is called a maximal element of A if there is no element c in A such that $a \leq c$.

② Minimal element - An element b in A is called a minimal element of A if there is no element c in A such that $c \leq b$.

e.g. Find the maximal & minimal elements in the following Hasse diagram.



eg. ② Let A be the poset of nonnegative real numbers with the usual partial order \leq . Then 0 is a minimal element of A & there is no maximal elements of A .

③ The poset \mathbb{Z} with the usual partial order \leq has no maximal element & has no minimum elements.

- Greatest element:

An element a in A is called a greatest element of A if $x \leq a$ for all x in A .

- Least element:

An element a in A is called a least element of A if $a \leq x$ for all x in A .

Note - an element a of (A, \leq) is greatest (or least) element iff it is a least (or greatest) element of (A, \geq) .

- Unit element -

The greatest element of a poset, if it exists, is denoted by 1 and is often called the unit element.

- Zero element -

The least element of a poset, if it exists, is denoted by 0 and is often called the zero element.

- Consider a poset (A, \leq)

- ① Upper bound of a & b :

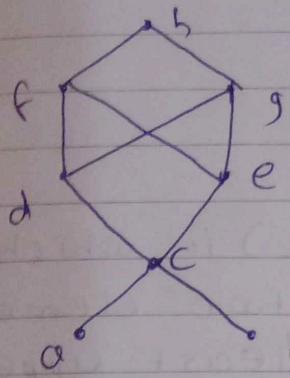
An element c in A is called an upper bound of a and b if $a \leq c$ and $b \leq c$ for all a, b in A .

② Lower bound of a and b:

An element d in A is called a lower bound of a and b if $d \leq a$ & $d \leq b$ for all $a, b \in A$.

e.g. Find the upper and lower bound of the following subset of A :

$$(a) B_1 = \{a, b\} ; B_2 = \{c, d, e\}.$$



- B_1 has no lower bound,
the upper bounds of B_1 are
 c, d, e, f, g and h .

- B_2 having lower bound
 c, a & b
& the upper bounds of
 B_2 are f, g & h .

- Consider a poset (A, \leq) and a, b in A .

① Least upper bound -

An element c in A is called a least upper bound of a and b , if $\forall c' \in A$

① c is an upper bound then $c \leq c'$ of a and b ;
i.e. $a \leq c$ & $b \leq c$

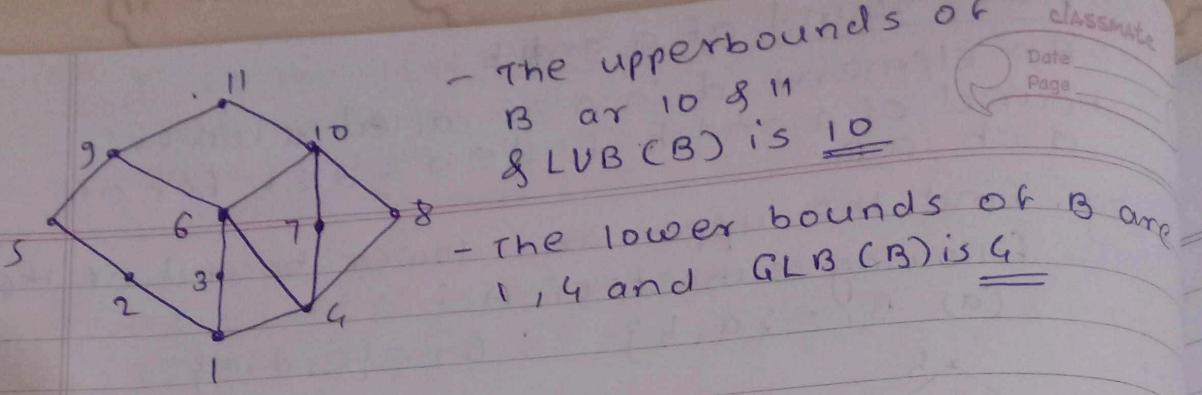
② if c' is another upper bound then $c \leq c'$.

② Greatest lower bound :

An element g in A is called a greatest lower bound of a and b , if $\exists g$

① g is a lower bound of a & b ; i.e. $g \leq a$ & $g \leq b$
② if g' is another lower bound then $g' \leq g$.

e.g. let $A = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 11\}$ be the poset
whose Hasse diagram is shown below.
find the LUB and GLB of $B = \{6, 7, 10\}$,



* Lattices :

- Lattices as a poset,

A lattices is a poset (L, \leq) in which every subset $\{a, b\}$ consisting of two elements has a least low greatest & 'least upper bound' and a 'greatest lower bound'.

we denote

- $\text{LUB}(\{a, b\})$ by $a \oplus b$ (the join or sum of a and b).
- $\text{GLB}(\{a, b\})$ by $a * b$ (the meet or product of a and b).

Eg.

let S be a set and let $L = P(S)$.

\subseteq is a partial order relation on L.

let A and B belong to the poset (L, \subseteq) .

Then,

$$a \oplus b = A \cup B \quad \& \quad a * b = A \cap B.$$

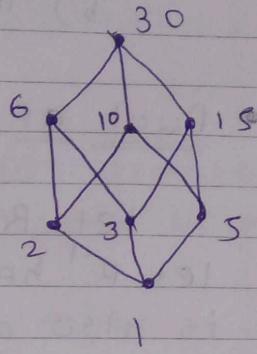
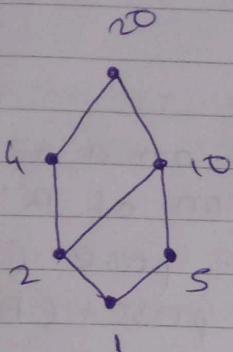
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 then $A \subseteq c$ and $B \subseteq c$ thus $A \cup B \subseteq c$

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 $c \subseteq A \cap B$.

eg. let n be a positive integer and D_n be the set of all positive divisors of n . Then D_n is a lattice under the relation of divisibility. For instance.

$$D_{20} = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 20\}$$

$$D_{30} = \{1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 15, 30\}$$



- Properties of lattices :

$$\textcircled{1} (a \oplus b) \oplus c = a \oplus (b \oplus c) = a \oplus b \oplus c$$

$$\textcircled{2} (a * b) * c = a * (b * c) = a * b * c$$

$$\textcircled{3} \text{ LUB}(\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}) = a_1 \oplus a_2 \oplus \dots \oplus a_n$$

$$\textcircled{4} \text{ GLB}(\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}) = a_1 * a_2 * \dots * a_n$$

- Important Result :

Let L be a lattice. Then for every a and b in L .

a) $a \oplus b = b$ if and only if $a \leq b$

b) $a * b = a$ if and only if $a \leq b$

c) $a * b = a$ if and only if $a \oplus b = b$

- Important Result : isotonicity .

Let L be a lattice. Then, for every a, b & c in L .

i. If $b \leq c$, then

a) $a \oplus b \leq a \oplus c$

b) $a * b \leq a * c$

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- 2) $a \leq b$ and $a \leq c$ if and only if $a \leq b \oplus c$
 - 3) $a \leq b$ and $a \leq c$ if and only if $a \leq b * c$
 - 4) If $a \leq b$ and $c * \leq d$, then
 - a) $a \oplus c \leq b \oplus d$
 - b) $a * c \leq b * d$

• Dual of a Lattice :

Let R be a partial order on a set A , then let R^{-1} be the inverse relation of R . Then R^{-1} is also a partial order. The poset (A, R^{-1}) is called the dual of the poset (A, R) .

Eg :

Let (L, \leq) be a lattice, then the (L, \geq) is called dual lattice of (L, \leq) .

- In (L, \leq) , if $a \oplus b = c$; $a * b = d$, then in dual lattice (L, \geq) , $a \oplus b = d$; $a * b = c$.

• Principle of duality :

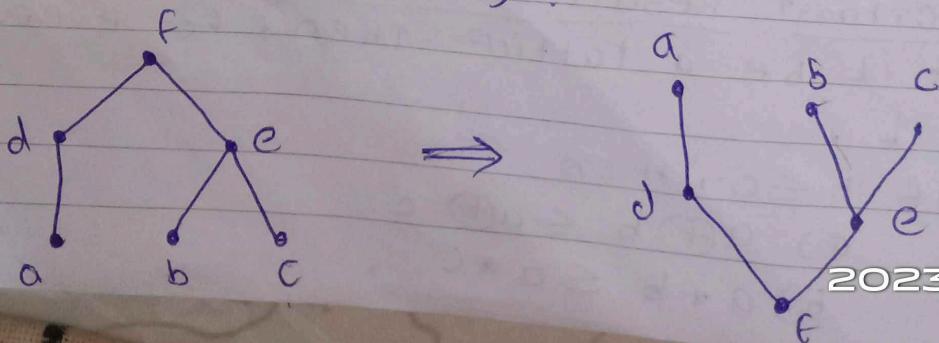
If P is a valid statement in a lattice then the statement obtained by interchanging meet and join everywhere and replacing \leq by \geq is also a valid statement.

Eg.

a) Show the Hasse diagram of a poset (A, \leq) , where,

$$A = \{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$$

b) Show the Hasse diagram of the dual poset (A, \geq) .



- Some properties of dual of poset :

1) The upper bounds in (A, \leq) correspond to lower bounds in (A, \geq) (for the same set of elements).

2) The lower bounds in (A, \leq) correspond to upper bounds in (A, \geq) (for the same set of elements).

3) Similar statements hold for greatest lower bounds and least upper bounds.

Note - An element a of (A, \leq) is a greatest (or least) element if and only if it is a least (or greatest) element of (A, \geq) .

- Lattices as algebraic structures •

- An algebraic structure (L, \vee, \wedge) , consisting of a set L and two binary operations \vee and \wedge , on L is a lattice if the following axiomatic identities hold for all elements a, b, c of L

① Commutative laws -

$$a \oplus b = b \oplus a, a * b = b * a.$$

② Associative laws .

$$a \oplus (b * c) = (a \oplus b) \oplus c$$

$$a * (b * c) = (a * b) * c.$$

③ Absorption laws

$$a \oplus (a * b) = a$$

$$a * (a \oplus b) = a$$

Idempotent law.

④ $a \oplus a = a$

$$a * a = a$$

• Sub-Lattices :

- Consider a non-empty subset L_1 of a lattice $\langle L, *, \oplus \rangle$. Then L_1 is called a sub-lattice of L if L_1 itself is a lattice i.e., the operation of L i.e. $a \oplus b \in L_1$ and $a * b \in L_1$, whenever $a \in L_1$ & $b \in L_1$. $\langle L_1, *, \oplus \rangle$

e.g.

① consider the lattice of all the integers L , under the operation of divisibility. The lattice of all divisors of $n \geq 1$ is a sublattice of L .

- determine all the sub lattices of D_{30} that contain at least four elements,

$$D_{30} = \{1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 15, 30\}$$

→ The sub lattices of D_{30} that contain at least four elements are as follows.

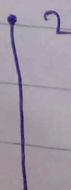
- 1) $\{1, 2, 6, 30\}$
- 2) $\{1, 2, 3, 30\}$
- 3) $\{1, 5, 15, 30\}$
- 4) $\{1, 3, 6, 30\}$
- 5) $\{1, 5, 10, 30\}$
- 6) $\{1, 3, 15, 30\}$
- 7) $\{2, 6, 10, 30\}$

• Direct product of lattices :

Let $(L_1, \oplus_1, *)_1$ and $(L_2, \oplus_2, *)_2$ be two lattices. Then $(L_1, *, \oplus)$ is the direct product of lattices, where $L = L_1 \times L_2$ in which the binary operation \oplus (Join) & $*$ (Meet) on L are such that for any (a_1, b_1) and (a_2, b_2) in L .

- $(a_1, b_1) \oplus (a_2, b_2) = (a_1 \oplus_1 a_2, b_1 \oplus_2 b_2)$
- $(a_1, b_1) * (a_2, b_2) = (a_1 *_1 a_2, b_1 *_2 b_2)$

e.g. consider a lattice (L, \leq) where $L = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$
 Determine the lattices (L^2, \leq) , where $L^2 = L \times L$.



$$1 \quad (L, \leq)$$

$$\therefore L^2 = L \times L$$

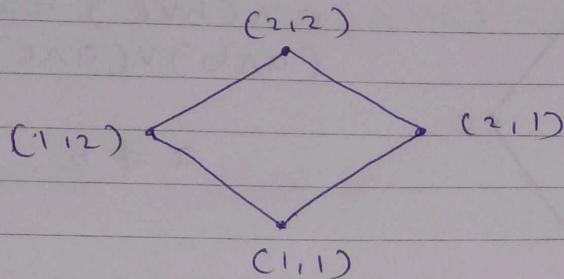
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$$\therefore \{1, 2\} \oplus \{1, 2\} = \{1 \oplus 1, 2 \oplus 2\} = \{2, 2\}$$

$$\{1, 2\} \star \{1, 2\} = \{1 \star 1, 2 \star 2\} = \{1, 1\}$$

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\therefore The lattice (L^2, \leq)



- Bounded Lattices :

A lattice L is said to be bounded if it has a greatest element 1 and least element 0 .
eg.

① The lattice $P(S)$ of all subsets of a set S , with the relation containment is bounded. The greatest is S & the least element is empty set.

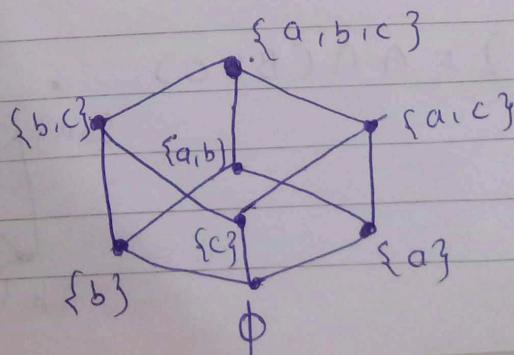
- Distributive lattices :

A lattice (L, \leq) is called distributive if for any elements a, b & c in L we have following distributive properties.

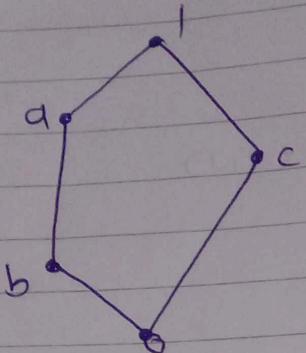
$$1. a \wedge (b \vee c) = (a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge c)$$

$$2. a \vee (b \wedge c) = (a \vee b) \wedge (a \vee c).$$

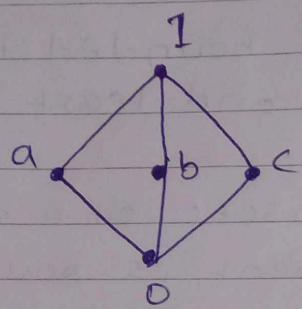
eg. for a set S , the lattice $P(S)$ is distributive, since join and meet each satisfy distributive property.



$\vee \rightarrow \oplus \rightarrow$ lowest upper bound
 $\wedge \rightarrow \star \rightarrow$ Greatest lower bound.
 eg. show that the lattices are non distributive.



$$a \wedge (b \vee c) = a \wedge 1 = a = \\ (a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge c) = b \vee 0 = b = \\ a \neq b$$



$$a \wedge (b \vee c) = a \wedge 1 = a = \\ (a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge c) = 0 \vee 0 = 0$$

Note: The distributive property holds when,

- any two of the elements a, b and c are equal (or)
- when any one of the element is 0 or 1

- Modular Lattices :-

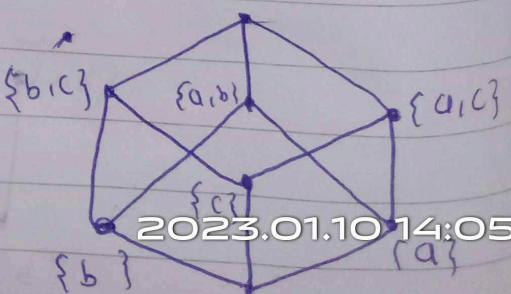
A lattice (L, \leq) is called modular if for any elements a, b and c in L if $b \leq a$ then $b \vee (a \wedge c) = a \wedge (b \vee c)$

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for a sets, the lattice $P(S)$ is modular (if $B \subseteq A$).

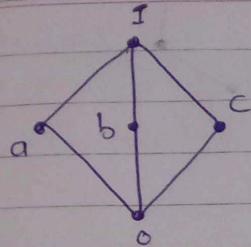
$$B \cup (A \cap C) = A \cap (B \cup C)$$

$\{a, b, c\}$



eg. ⑥ Every chain is a modular lattice

⑦ Given Hasse diagram of a lattice which is modular.



$0 \leq a$ i.e. taking $b=0$
 $b \vee (a \wedge c) = 0 \vee 0 = 0$
 $a \wedge (b \vee c) = a \wedge c = 0$

• Complemented Lattice :-

- Complement of an element -

Let L be bounded lattice with greatest element I and least element 0 , and let $a \in L$. An element $b \in L$ is called a complement of a if,

$$a \vee b = I \text{ and } a \wedge b = 0 \quad \text{Note: } 0' = I \text{ & } I' = 0$$

- Complemented Lattice :

A lattice L is said to be complemented if it is bounded and every element in it has a complement.

eg.

Element	It's complement
1	30
2	15
3	10
5	6
6	5
10	3
15	2
30	1

