

Computer Science & IT

Discrete Mathematics



Set Theory & Algebra

Lecture No. 12



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Recap of Previous Lecture



Ref + Anti-symm + Trans.

(A, R)

Topic

Partial Order Relation / Partially Ordered Set

Comparability

Topic

Total Order Relation / Totally Ordered Set

Topic

Least Upper Bound / Greatest Lower Bound



Topics to be Covered



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Topic

Least Upper Bound / Greatest Lower Bound

Topic

Minimal / Maximal elements in a POSET

Topic

Minimum(Least) element of a POSET

Topic

Maximum(Greatest) element of a POSET

Topic

Lattice ✓



Topic : Least Upper Bound

Let (A, \leq) be a POSET, for any two elements $a, b \in A$ if there exists an element $c \in A$

such that,

$a \leq c$ and $b \leq c$,

then c is called upper bound of a and b ,

And if there exists no element $d \in A$ such that

$a \leq d$ and $b \leq d$ and $d \leq c$,

then c is called least upper bound of a and b



Topic : Greatest Lower Bound

Let (A, \leq) be a POSET, for any two elements $a, b \in A$ if there exists an element

$c \in A$ such that,

$c \leq a$ and $c \leq b$,

then c is called lower bound of a and b ,

And if there exists no element $d \in A$ such that

$d \leq a$ and $d \leq b$ and $c \leq d$,

then c is called greatest lower bound of a and b



Topic : Least Upper Bound / Greatest Lower Bound

Note:- ① Let A is any set of real numbers,
then (A, \leq) is a POSET,
for any two elements $a, b \in A$

$$\text{lub}(a, b) = \text{Max}(a, b)$$

$$\text{glb}(a, b) = \text{Min}(a, b)$$



Topic : Least Upper Bound / Greatest Lower Bound

Note: ② Let A is set of all +ve integers

then (A, \div) is a POSET,

for any two elements $a, b \in A$

$$\begin{cases} \text{lub}(a, b) = \text{LCM}(a, b) \\ \text{glb}(a, b) = \text{GCD}(a, b) \end{cases}$$

∴ LCM & GCD exists for every pair of elements within the set



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Note (3) :- Let A is any finite set, and $P(A)$ is the power set of set A .

then $(P(A), \subseteq)$ is a POSET.

For any two sets $X, Y \in P(A)$

$$\text{Lub}(X, Y) = X \text{ Union } Y$$

$$\text{glb}(X, Y) = X \text{ intersection } Y$$

$$(X \cap Y) \subseteq X$$

$$(X \cap Y) \subseteq Y$$



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Q: Let $A = \{ \underline{1}, 2, 3, 4, 9 \}$
and (A, \div) is a POSET.

$$\text{lub}(2, 3) = ?$$



no element 'x' exists in the set A such that both 2 & 3 divides 'x'
 $\therefore \text{lub}(2, 3) = \text{does not exist}$

$$\checkmark \text{glb}(2, 3) = \underline{\underline{1}}$$

Q: let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 9, 24\}$
and (A, \div) is a POSET.

$$\text{lub}(2, 3) = \underline{24}$$



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Q: Let $S = \{ \underbrace{\{1\}}_A, \underbrace{\{2,3\}}_B, \underbrace{\{2,3,4\}}_C, \underbrace{\{1,2,3,4,5\}}_D \}$,

then (S, \subseteq) is a POSET

$$\ast \text{ lub } \{A, B\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\} = D$$

$$\ast \text{ glb } \{A, B\} = \text{does not exist in } S$$

Q: let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$

✓ $P(A) = \{ \{ \}, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 3\} \}$

then $(P(A), \subseteq)$ is a Poset.

→ For any two sets in $P(A)$, their union
and intersection will always exist in $P(A)$ itself



Topic : NOTE



In a POSET lub and/or glb

need not exist for every pair of elements, but if exists for any pair of elements then it is unique.

May
or
May not



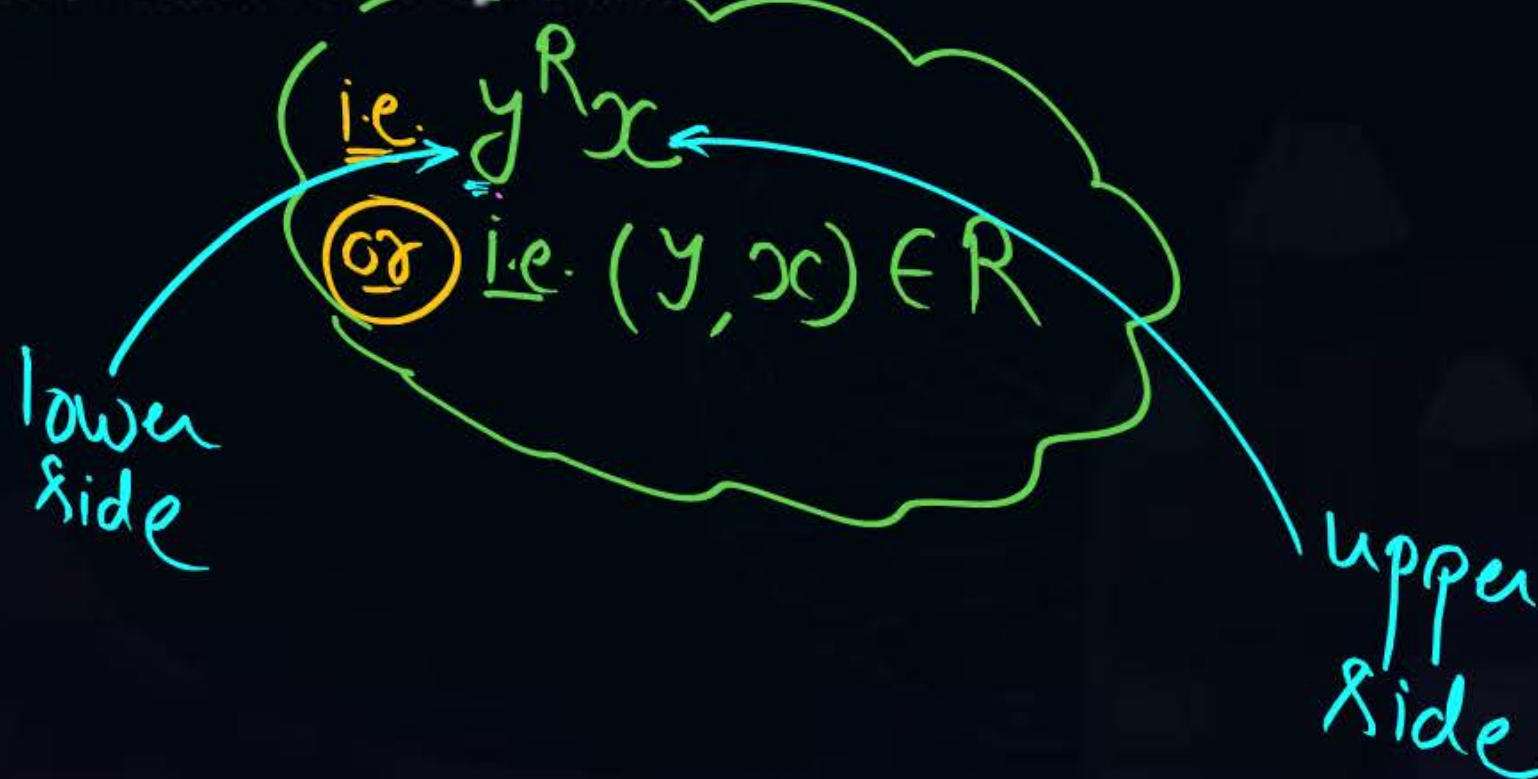
Topic : Minimal elements in a POSET

(A, R)

Let (A, \leq) be a POSET

An element $x \in A$ is called a minimal element of $\text{POSET}(A, \leq)$ if there exists no element $y \in A$ other than x itself, such that $y \leq x$.

An element x of the POSET is called minimal element of POSET, only if there is no other element on the lower side of x , apart from x itself.





Topic : Minimal elements in a POSET

eg: let $A = \{2, 3, 6, 12\}$ and (A, \div) is the POSET.

2 & 3 are the minimal elements of the POSET.

eg: let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 6, 12\}$ and (A, \div) is the POSET.

✓ (1) is the only minimal element of the POSET.



Topic : Maximal elements in a POSET



(A, R)

Let (A, \leq) be a POSET

An element $x \in A$ is called a maximal element of $\text{POSET}(A, \leq)$ if there exists

no element $y \in A$ other than x itself, such that $x \leq y$.

$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{i.e. } x R y \\ \text{or } (x, y) \in R \end{array} \right)$

An element x of the POSET is called maximal element of the POSET, only if there is no other element on the upper side of x , apart from x itself.



Topic : Maximal elements in a POSET

eg: let $A = \{1, 2, 3, \checkmark 4, \checkmark 6\}$ and (A, \div) is the POSET

4 & 6 are maximal elements of the above POSET.

eg: let $A = \{\checkmark 2, \checkmark 3, \checkmark 4, \checkmark 6, 12\}$ and (A, \div) is the POSET.

12 is the only maximal elements of the above POSET.



Topic : Minimum element of a POSET

Least element of POSET.

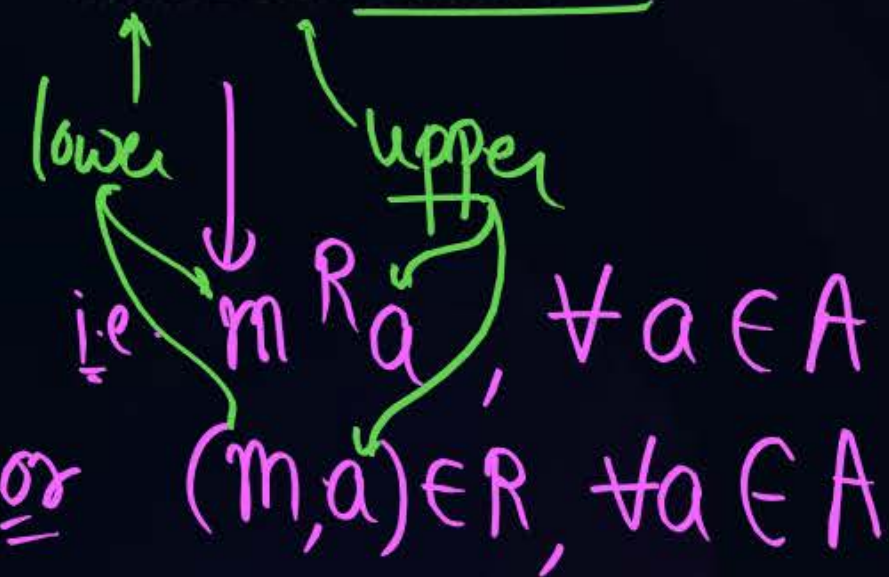
(A, R)

Let (A, \leq) be a POSET

An element $m \in A$ is called a minimum element of $\text{POSET}(A, \leq)$

if and only if

$$m \leq a, \forall a \in A$$



An element x of the POSET is called, minimum element of the POSET only if ' x ' is on the lower side of all other elements

(A, R)



Topic : Minimum element of a POSET

eg. $A = \{2, 3, 6, 12\}$ and (A, \div) is the POSET

No minimum element exists in the POSET.

eg: $A = \{1, 2, 3, 6, 12\}$ and (A, \div) is the POSET.

'1' divides all the elements of the POSET.
 \therefore 1 is the minimum element of the POSET.



Topic : Maximum element of a POSET

Greatest element of POSET 

(A, R)

Let (A, \leq) be a POSET

An element $n \in A$ is called a maximum element of $\text{POSET}(A, \leq)$

if and only if

$$a \leq n, \forall a \in A$$

lower \downarrow upper

$$a^R n, \forall a \in A$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (a, n) \in R, \underline{\forall a \in A}$$

An element x of the POSET is called maximum element of the POSET only if it is on the upper side of all other elements

(A, R)



Topic : Maximum element of a POSET

eg. let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$ and (A, \div) is the POSET.

No maximum element exists in the POSET

eg. let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 6, 12\}$ and (A, \div) is the POSET.

"12" is the maximum element of the POSET.



Topic : NOTE

there exists at least one minimal element



- ① In a POSET, minimal elements need not be unique
- ② If there exists two or more minimal elements in a POSET, the no "minimum" element will exist in that POSET.
- ③ If there exists a unique minimal element in the POSET, then same minimal element will also be the minimum element of the POSET.
- ④ There can be at most one minimum element in a POSET.



Topic : NOTE

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② If there exists two or more maximal elements, then maximum element will not exist in that POSET.

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④ There can be at most one maximum element in a POSET.

Q. let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$

How many symmetric Rel^n are possible with exactly 4 order Pairs.

Case (1)

$\{(a,a), (b,b), (c,c), (d,d)\}$

$8C_4$

Case (2)

$\{(x,y), (y,x), (a,a), (b,b)\}$

$8C_2 * 6C_2$

Case (3)

$\{(x,y), (y,x), (p,q), (q,p)\}$

Case (4)

$\{(x,y), (y,x), (x,z), (z,x)\}$
 $\{(x,y), (y,x), (y,z), (z,y)\}$
 $\{(x,z), (z,x), (y,z), (z,y)\}$



2 mins Summary



Topic

✓ Least Upper Bound / Greatest Lower Bound ✓

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least element

Topic

Minimum / Maximum element of a POSET

Greatest element

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Lattice



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