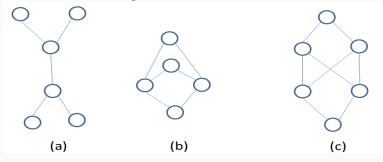
# Discrete Structures and Theory of Logic Lecture-12

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## **Exercise**

1. Find out the following POSETs are lattices or not.



2. Draw the diagram of lattices  $\langle S_n, D \rangle$  for n = 4, 6, 10, 12, 15, 45, 60, 75 and 210. For what values of n, do you expect  $\langle S_n, D \rangle$  to be a chain?

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### **Exercise**

- 3. Let R be the set of real numbers in [0,1] and  $\leq$  be the usual operation of "less than or equal" on R. Show that  $\langle R, \leq \rangle$  is a lattice. What are the operations of meet and join on this lattice?
- 4. Let the sets  $S_0$ ,  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$ ,  $S_3$ ,  $S_4$ ,  $S_5$ ,  $S_6$ ,  $S_7$  be given by  $S_0 = \{a,b,c,d,e,f\}$   $S_1 = \{a,b,c,d,e\}$   $S_2 = \{a,b,c,e,f\}$   $S_3 = \{a,b,c,e\}$   $S_4 = \{a,b,c\}$   $S_5 = \{a,b\}$   $S_6 = \{a,c\}$   $S_7 = \{a\}$  Draw the diagram of  $A_5 = \{a,b\}$  Draw the diagram of  $A_5$

# **Principle of Duality**

Any statement about lattices involving the operations  $\land$  and  $\lor$  remains true if  $\land$  is replaced by  $\lor$  and  $\lor$  is replaced by  $\land$ .

The operations  $\wedge$  and  $\vee$  are said to be dual of each other. For example  $a \wedge b$  is the dual of  $a \vee b$ .

# **Properties of lattices**

(1) Idempotent law

$$a \wedge a = a$$
,  $a \vee a = a$ 

(2) Commutative law

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

(3) Associative law

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

(4) Absorption law

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

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**Theorem:** Let  $\langle L, \preceq \rangle$  be a lattice. For any  $a,b \in L$ ,  $a \prec b \Leftrightarrow a \land b = a \Leftrightarrow a \lor b = b$ 

**Proof:** In this theorem, we have to prove many parts.

**First part:** In this part, we will prove  $a \leq b \Leftrightarrow a \wedge b = a$ .

Suppose  $a \leq b$ . Since  $a \leq a$ , therefore a = lower bound(l.b.) of a and b.

Since a is lower bound therefore,  $a \leq greatest$  lower bound(g.l.b.) of a and b.

hence a  $\leq$  a $\wedge$ b .....(1)

By the definition of glb,  $a \land b \leq a \dots (2)$ 

from (1) and (2),  $a \wedge b = a$ .

Conversely, suppose  $a \land b = a$ .

By the definition of glb,

 $a \land b \preceq b$ 

Since  $a \land b = a$ , therefore  $a \prec b$ .

**Second part:** In this part, we will prove  $a \leq b \Leftrightarrow a \lor b = b$ .

Suppose  $a \leq b$ . Since  $b \leq b$ , therefore b = upper bound(u.b.) of a and b.

Since b is an upper bound therefore, least upper bound(l.u.b.) of a and b  $\leq$  b.

hence  $a \lor b \leq b$  .....(1)

By the definition of lub, b  $\leq$  a $\vee$ b .....(2)

from (1) and (2),

 $a \lor b = b$ .

Conversely, suppose  $a \lor b = b$ .

By the definition of lub,

 $\mathsf{a} \preceq \mathsf{a} \vee \mathsf{b}$ 

Since  $a \lor b = b$ , therefore  $a \le b$ .

**Third part:** In this part, we will prove  $a \land b = a \Leftrightarrow a \lor b = b$ .

Suppose  $a \wedge b = a$ .

Now,  $a \lor b = (a \land b) \lor b = b$ , by absorption law.

Suppose a  $\lor$  b = b.

Now,  $a \land b = a \land (a \lor b) = a$ , by absorption law.