



EMTH403

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Lecture Outcomes



After this lecture, you will be able to

- understand what are duals of Boolean expression.
- understand what is a Complemented Lattice.
- understand what is Boolean Algebra.

Duality

To explain the **relationship between the two identities** in each pair we use the concept of a **dual**.

The dual of a Boolean expression is obtained by **interchanging** Boolean sums and Boolean products and interchanging 0s and 1s.

Duality

Ques:- Find the duals of $x(y + 0)$ and $\bar{x} \cdot 1 + (\bar{y} + z)$.

Sol:- Interchanging \cdot signs and $+$ signs and interchanging 0s and 1s in these expressions produces their duals.

The duals are $x + (y \cdot 1)$ and $(x + 0)(yz)$, respectively.

Boolean algebra

A **Boolean algebra** is a set B with two binary operations \vee and \wedge , elements 0 and 1 , and a unary operation \neg such that **these properties hold** for all x , y , and z in B :

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x \vee 0 = x \\ x \wedge 1 = x \end{array} \right\}$$

Identity laws

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x \vee \bar{x} = 1 \\ x \wedge \bar{x} = 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

Complement laws

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (x \vee y) \vee z = x \vee (y \vee z) \\ (x \wedge y) \wedge z = x \wedge (y \wedge z) \end{array} \right\}$$

Associative laws

Boolean algebra

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$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x \vee y = y \vee x \\ x \wedge y = y \wedge x \end{array} \right\}$$

Commutative laws

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x \vee (y \wedge z) = (x \vee y) \wedge (x \vee z) \\ x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) \end{array} \right\}$$

Distributive laws

Boolean algebra

Boolean algebras **may also be defined** using the notion of a lattice, discussed earlier.

Lattice L is a **partially ordered set** in which every pair of elements x, y has a least upper bound, denoted by $\text{lub}(x, y)$ and a greatest lower bound denoted by $\text{glb}(x, y)$.

Boolean algebra

Given two elements x and y of L , we can define two operations \vee and \wedge on pairs of elements of L by

$$x \vee y = \text{lub}(x, y) \text{ and } x \wedge y = \text{glb}(x, y).$$

Boolean algebra

For a lattice L to be a Boolean algebra, it must have two properties.

First, it must be **complemented**.

For a lattice to be complemented it must have a least element 0 and a greatest element 1

and for every element x of the lattice there must exist an element x' such that $x \vee x' = 1$ and $x \wedge x' = 0$.

Boolean algebra

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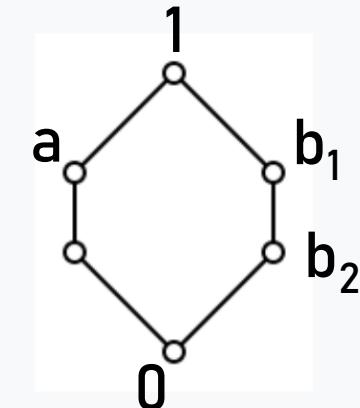
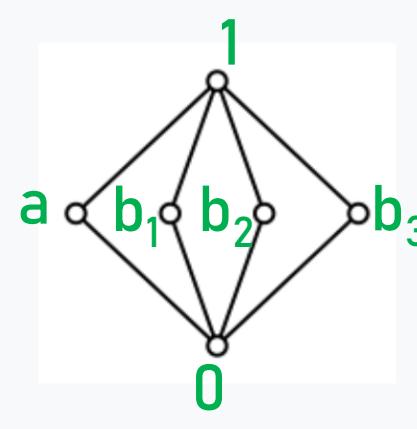
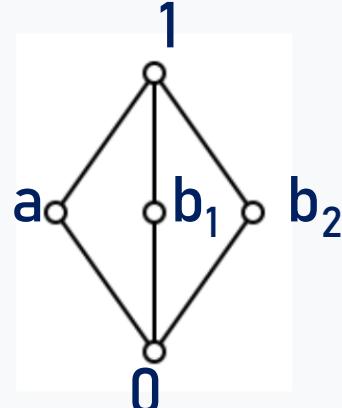
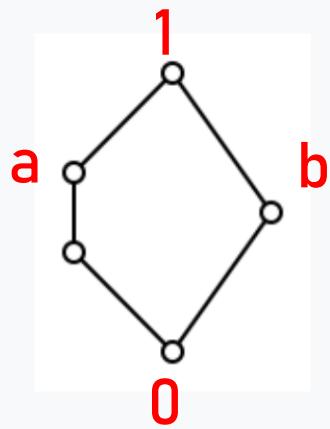
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This means that for every x , y , and z in L , $x \vee (y \wedge z) = (x \vee y) \wedge (x \vee z)$ and $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$.

Complemented Lattice

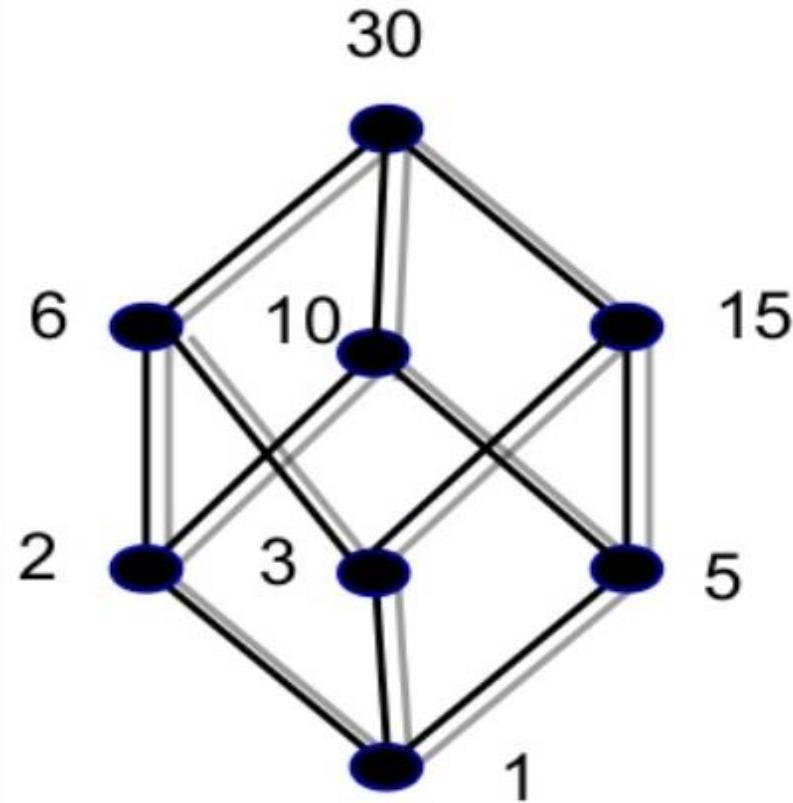
A complemented lattice is a **bounded lattice** (with least element 0 and greatest element 1), in which **every element a** has a complement, i.e. an element b satisfying $a \vee b = 1$ and $a \wedge b = 0$. Complements **need not be unique**.



Complemented Lattice

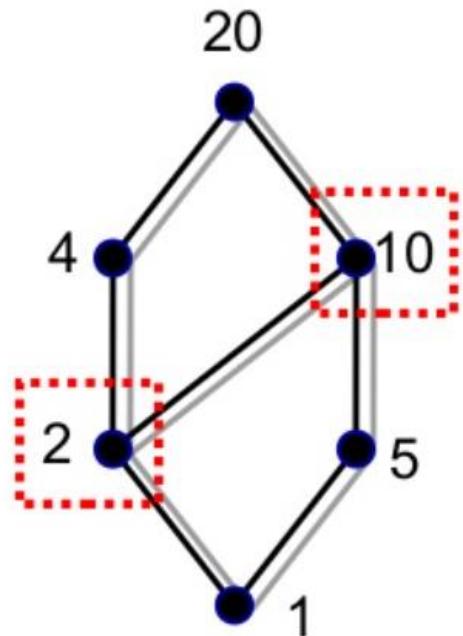
D_{30} is a complemented lattice.

Element	Its Complement
1	30
2	15
3	10
5	6
6	5
10	3
15	2
30	1



Complemented Lattice

D_{20} is not complemented lattice.



D_{20}

Element	Its Complement
1	20
2	10
4	5
5	4
10	2
20	1

$$2 \wedge 10 \neq 0 \quad (2 \wedge 10 = 2)$$

Boolean algebra

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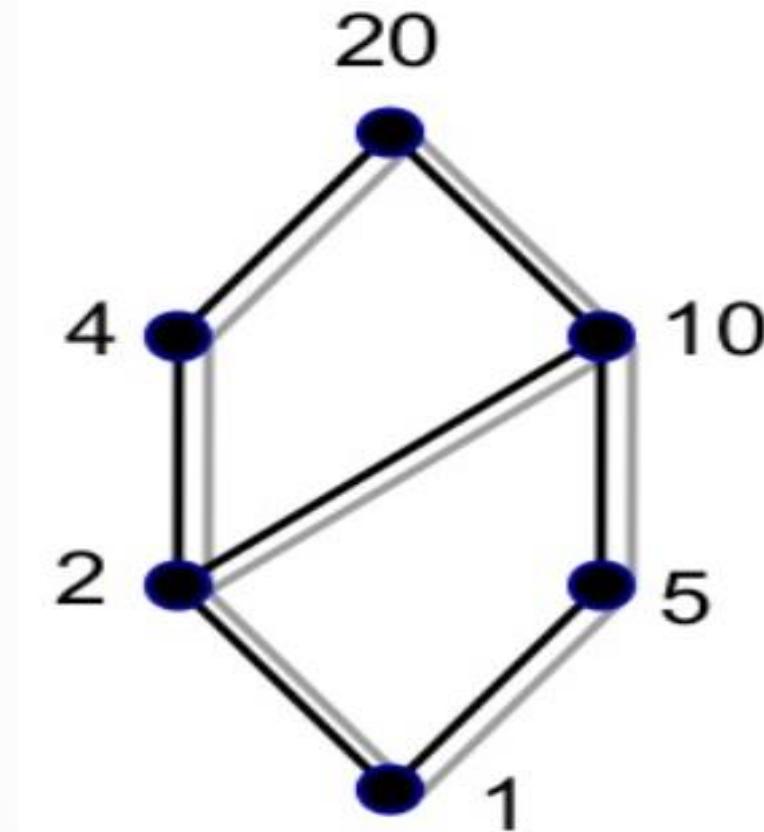
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Boolean algebra

Consider the lattices D_{20} of all positive integer divisors of 20.

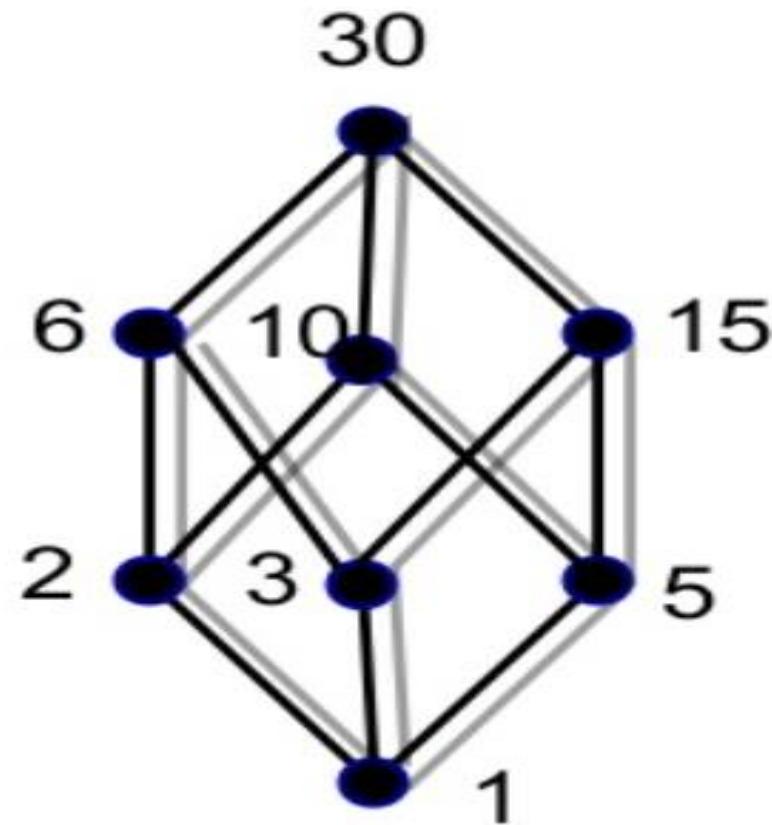
D_{20} is not a boolean algebra.



Boolean algebra

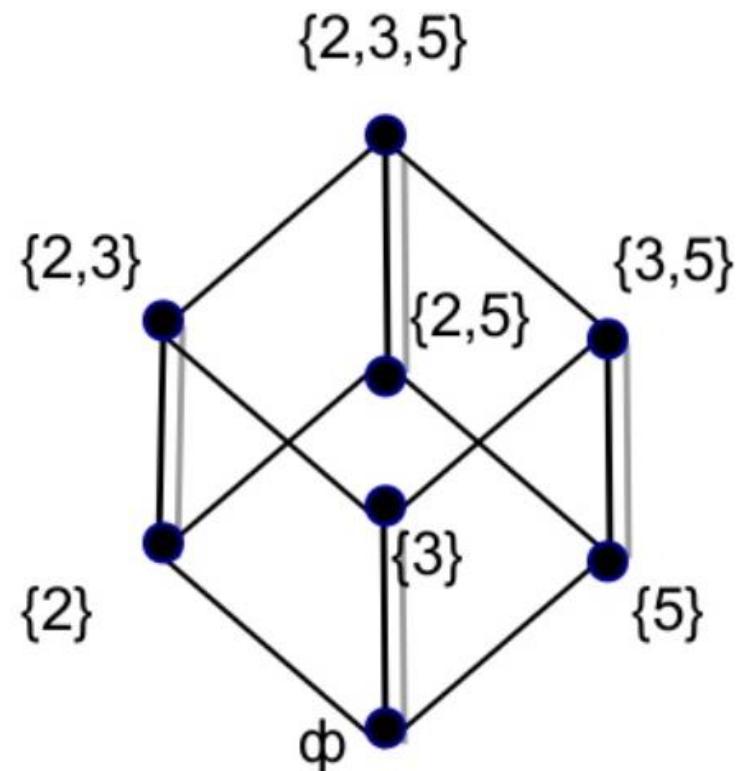
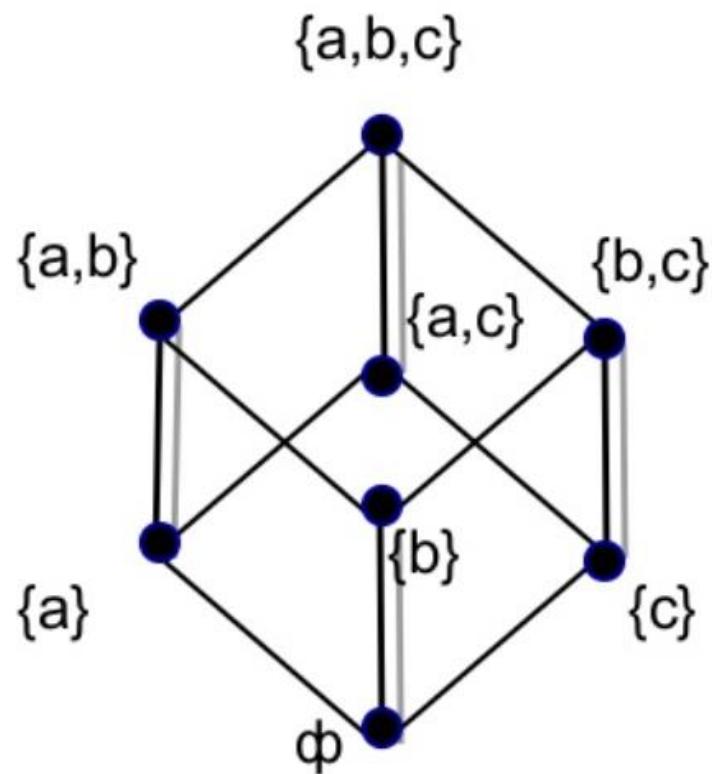
Consider the lattices D_{30} of all positive integer divisors of 30.

D_{30} is a Boolean algebra.



Boolean algebra

$S = \{a, b, c\}$ and $T = \{2, 3, 5\}$ consider the Hasse diagram of the two lattices $(P(S), \subseteq)$ and $(P(T), \subseteq)$.



Boolean algebra

Ques:- Show that in a Boolean algebra, the idempotent laws $x \vee x = x$ and $x \wedge x = x$ hold for every element x .

Sol:- By the domination, distributive, and identity laws,
 $x \vee x = (x \vee x) \wedge 1 = (x \vee x) \wedge (x \vee \bar{x}) = x \vee (x \wedge \bar{x}) = x \vee 0 = x.$

Similarly, $x \wedge x = (x \wedge x) \vee 0 = (x \wedge x) \vee (x \wedge \bar{x}) = x \wedge (x \vee \bar{x}) = x \wedge 1 = x.$

That's all for now...