

Complete lattices (continued)

Def. i). The ordered set (A, \leq) is called a lattice if $\forall x, y \in A$
 $\exists \inf \{x, y\}$, $\exists \sup \{x, y\}$.

ii). (A, \leq) is called a complete lattice if $\forall B \subseteq A$
 $\exists \inf B$ and $\exists \sup B$.

Theorem (characterization of complete lattices)

Let (A, \leq) be an ordered set. The following statements are given:

(i) A is a complete lattice

(ii) $\forall B \subseteq A \exists \inf B$

(iii) $\forall B \subseteq A \exists \sup B$

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii), (iii) by def

(ii) \Rightarrow (i) Let $B \subseteq A$. We have to show that $\exists \sup B$.

Let $C = \{y \in A \mid \forall x \in B, x \leq y\}$ the set of all upper bounds for B .

By the assumption (ii) $\exists \inf C =: a$.

We prove that $a = \sup B$.

• we show that a is an upper bound of B , i.e. $x \leq a \forall x \in B$.

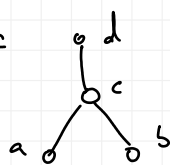
Indeed, let $x \in B$; then $\forall y \in C$ we have $x \leq y$. This means that x is a minorant for C , but $a = \inf C$ hence $x \leq a$.

• we show that a is the least upper bound for B .

Let $a' \in A$ be another upper bound for B , i.e. $a' \in C$.

But $a = \inf C$, hence $a \leq a'$.

Ex.



$$\sup \{c, d\} = d.$$

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$$\nexists \inf \{a, b\}$$

$$\nexists \sup \emptyset \text{ hence } \nexists \min A$$

(iii) \Rightarrow (i) Homework!

Conclusion: L is a complete lattice.

$$\sup B = \inf \{ y \in A \mid y \text{ is a majorant of } B \}$$

$$\inf B = \sup \{ y \in A \mid y \text{ is a lower bound for } B \}$$

(min. bound)

Example 1. $(\mathcal{P}(M), \subseteq)$ is a complete lattice,

$$\text{where } \inf (X_i)_{i \in I} = \bigcap_{i \in I} X_i$$

$$\sup (X_i)_{i \in I} = \bigcup_{i \in I} X_i$$

if subsets

$$X_i \subseteq M, \quad i \in I.$$

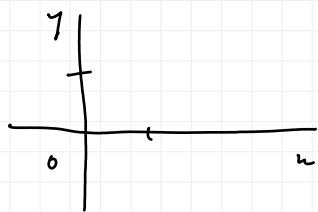
1). Let (G_i) be a group.

$$\text{Define } \mathcal{G}(G) = \{ H \mid H \text{ subgroup of } G \}$$

Let $(H_i)_{i \in I}$ be a family of subgroups of G

$$\text{then } \inf (H_i)_{i \in I} = \bigcap_{i \in I} H_i \quad \text{because the meet of subgroups is a subgroup}$$

Remark the meet of subgroups is, in general, not a subgroup



$$(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}, +) \text{ gr}$$

$$H_1 = O_x = \{ (x, 0) \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \} \text{ subgroup of } \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$$

$$H_2 = O_y = \{ (0, y) \mid y \in \mathbb{R} \} \text{ subgroup of } \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$$

but $H_1 \cup H_2$ is not a subgroup. Let $a = \underset{\uparrow}{(1, 0)} \in H_1$, $b = \underset{\uparrow}{(0, 1)} \in H_2$

$$a, b \in H_1 \cup H_2 \quad \text{but } a+b = (1, 1) \notin H_1 \cup H_2$$

According to the theorem:

$$\sup \{H_i \mid i \in I\} = \bigcap_{\substack{H \leq G \\ H \supseteq H_i \forall i \in I}} H$$

Well-ordered sets

Def. Let (A, \leq) be an ordered set. We say that A is well-ordered, if $\forall \emptyset \neq B \subseteq A \exists \min B$.

Examples. 1) (\mathbb{N}, \leq) is well-ordered (we'll see!)

(note that $\exists \inf \emptyset = \max(\mathbb{N}, \leq)$)

2). If A is well-ordered, then A is totally ordered, because $\forall x, y \in A \exists \min\{x, y\}$.

The converse is not true.

e.g. (\mathbb{R}, \leq) is totally ordered, but not well-ordered because, for instance, $\nexists \min(a, b)$.

$\nexists \min \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \mid n \in \mathbb{N}^+ \right\}$ \leftarrow but it has \inf equal to 0.

3) Any finite totally ordered set is well-ordered (by induction)

$\frac{1}{n} > \frac{1}{n+1}$ \leftarrow but it has \inf equal to 0.

4). $(\mathbb{N}, |)$, $(\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}), \subseteq)$ where $|$ and \subseteq are not totally ordered, hence they are not well-ordered.

5) \emptyset is well-ordered, by def

6) Let $A = \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \mathbb{N} \times \{i\}$ \leftarrow see the diagram - it is well-ordered

Theorem (Characterisation of well-ordered sets)

Let (A, \leq) be a non-empty ordered set.

The following statements are equivalent:

- (i) A is well-ordered (A satisfies the minimum condition)
- (ii) (inductive condition) A is totally ordered, $\exists \min A =: a_0$,

and for any subset $B \subseteq A$ which satisfies:

1° $a_0 \in B$.

2° $\forall y \in A$, if $\{x \in A \mid x < y\} \subseteq B$,
then $y \in B$.

where $B = A$.

Corollary (The principle of complete induction). ^(strong)

Let (A, \leq) be a non-empty well-ordered set, and let P be a predicate on A . Assume that:

1° $P(a_0)$ is true, where $a_0 = \min A$

2° $\forall y \in A$, if $P(x)$ is true $\forall x < y$, then $P(y)$ is true

Then $P(x)$ is true for any $a \in A$.

Proof (wt) Let $B = \{a \in A \mid P(a) \text{ is true}\}$

By hypothesis, B satisfies conditions 1°, 2° of the theorem.
It follows that $B = A$.

Proof (thm) (ii) \Rightarrow (i) Let $\emptyset \neq B \subseteq A$ be a non-empty
sub set of A ; we have to show that $\exists \min B$.

Assume, by contradiction, that $\nexists \min B$.

We consider the subset $A \setminus B = C_A(B)$

- We have that $a_0 \in A \setminus B$, but can otherwise if $a_0 \in B$ then a_0 would be the smallest of B .

Hence $A \setminus B$ satisfies 1°

- Let $y \in A$ s.t. $\forall x \in A, x < y$ we have $x \in A \setminus B$

If $y \in B$, then we would set that $y = \min B$, implying it follows that $y \in A \setminus B$.

This means that $A \setminus B$ satisfies cond 2°.

By assumption (i), we set $A \setminus B = A$. Then $B = \emptyset$, which is a contradiction.

(i) \Rightarrow (ii) Assume that A is well-ordered. Then $\exists a_0 \in \min A$ and A is totally ordered.

Let $B \subseteq A$ satisfying conditions 1°, 2°.

We have to show that $B = A$.

Assume, by contradiction, that $B \neq A$, i.e. $A \setminus B = \{a\} \neq \emptyset$ (1)

By (1), $\exists a_1 = \min(A \setminus B)$, hence $a_1 \notin B$.

Let $x \in A$ s.t. $x < a_1$, hence $x \notin A \setminus B$, hence $x \in B$.

By cond 2° on B , we deduce that $a_1 \in B$ which is a contradiction.

It follows that $B = A$.

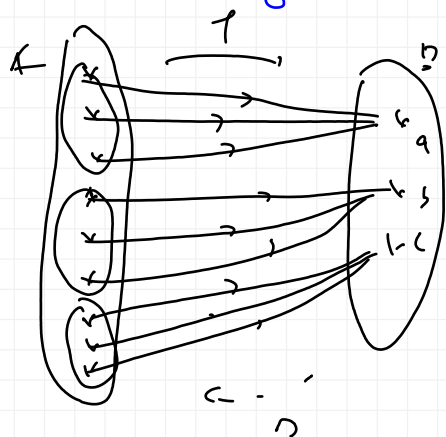
The Axiom of Choice

(AC) Let $I \neq \emptyset$ be a index set, let $(A_i)_{i \in I}$ be a family of non-empty sets such that $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$ for $i \neq j$.

Then there is $\underbrace{X}_{\text{a set}}$ s.t. $\forall i \in I \quad |X \cap A_i| = 1$

Statements equivalent to the axiom of choice

1). Every surjective function has a right inverse (section)



$$f \circ s = \text{id}_B.$$

$D(x) = ?$, we choose an element

$$\text{from } f^{-1}(x) = \{a \in A \mid f(a) = x\}$$

2). Zermelo's well-ordering principle Ernst Zermelo

On any set A there is an order relation \leq such that (A, \leq) is well-ordered.

3). (Zorn's Lemma) Max Zorn

Let A be a non-empty ordered set. Assume that any totally ordered subset B of A has a majorant in A .

Then in A there exist maximal elements.

Application any vector space has a basis

a maximal linearly independent subset

Homework. ex. 73*, 74*, 75*