Lattice

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Ordered Sets

Definition 1.1. Partially ordered set is a system $\mathcal{P} = (P, \leq)$ where P is a nonempty set and \leq is a binary relation on P satisfying, for all $x, y, z \in P$,

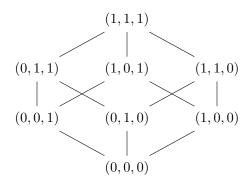
- 1. $x \le x$, (reflexivity)
- 2. if $x \le y$ and $y \le x$, then x = y, (antisymmetry)
- 3. if $x \le y$ and $y \le z$, then $x \le z$. (transitivity)

Definition 1.2. C is a chain if for every $x, y \in C$, either $x \leq y$ or $y \leq x$.

chain 上的元素都可以相互比较,所以它是 totally ordered.

Definition 1.3. We say that x is covered by y in \mathcal{P} , written $x \prec y$, if $x \leq y$ and there is no $z \in P$ with $x \leq z \leq y$.

Definition 1.4. Hasse diagram for a finite partially order set \mathcal{P} : the elements of P are represented by points in the plane, and a line is drawn from a up to b precisely when $a \prec b$.



Definition 1.5. Given a partially order set, f is a order preserving map satisfying the condition $x \leq y$ implies $f(x) \leq f(y)$.

Definition 1.6. Given two posets (P, \leq_S) and (Q, \leq_Q) , an order isomorphism from (P, \leq_S) to (Q, \leq_Q) is a bijective order preserving map.

Definition 1.7. Given two posets (P, \leq_S) and (Q, \leq_Q) , an order embedding from (P, \leq_S) to (Q, \leq_Q) is a both order-preserving and order-reflecting map that $x \leq y \iff f(x) \leq f(y)$.

相比 order isomorphism 而言稍微弱一点,不需要是一个 surjective.

Definition 1.8. An ideal I of a partially ordered set \mathcal{P} is a subset of the elements of P which satisfy the property that if $x \in \mathcal{P}$ and exists $y \in I$ with $x \leq y$, then $x \in I$.

衍生自 the ideal of ring, 后面我们将会看见 the ideal of lattice.

Definition 1.9. Given an ordered set $\mathcal{P} = (P, \leq)$. The dual of P is another poset $\mathcal{P}^d = (P, \leq^d)$ with the order relation defined by $x \leq^d y \iff y \leq x$.

Definition 1.10. The dual notion of an ideal is called a filter that F is a subset of P such $x \geq y \in F$ implies $x \in F$

类似的还有 principle ideal 和 principle filter. 就是通过一个元素生成的.

Definition 1.11. The poset \mathcal{P} has a maximum(element) if there exists $x \in P$ such that $y \leq x$ for all $x \in P$. An element $x \in P$ is maximal if there is no element $y \in P$ with $x \leq y$ and $x \neq y$.

maximum 是一个名词表示最大值 (greatest), maximal 是一个形容词表示极大的意思. 在 poset 中可能不只有一个 maximal element.

Lemma 1.12. The following are equivalent for an poset \mathcal{P} .

- 1. Every nonempty subset $S \subseteq P$ contains an element minimal in S.
- 2. \mathcal{P} contains no infinite descending chain

$$a_0 > a_1 > a_2 > \cdots$$
.

这里去掉等号是指 $a_0 \neq a_1 \neq a_2 \neq \cdots$

3. If

$$a_0 \ge a_1 \ge a_2 \ge \cdots$$

in \mathcal{P} , then there exists k such that $a_n = a_k$ for all $n \geq k$.

这个 lemma 被称为 descending chain condition(DCC). 对偶地也有 ascending chain condition(ACC). original 'a partially ordered set \mathcal{P} requires that all decreasing sequences in \mathcal{P} become eventually constant'.

证明. $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ 前提只存在 finite descending chain. 假设 (3) 不成立,且 $a_0 \geq a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \cdots$ 是 infinite chain. 则对于任意的 k,都能找到 $n \geq k$ 使得 $a_n \neq a_k$ 且 $a_k \geq a_n$,那么 $a_k > a_n$. 这样从 $k = 0, 1, 2, \cdots$ 开始我们每次都可以找到 $a_{n_0} > a_{n_1} > \cdots$. 这样我们实际构造了一个 infinite descending chain,这是和前提矛盾的. 若 $a_0 \geq a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \cdots$ 是一个 finite chain,它的最后一个元素显然是满足 (3),这和假设是矛盾的.

(3) ⇒ (2) 也是分 infinite chain 和 finite chain 来讨论, finite 是显然的, infinite 的时候可以把它变成 finite.

- $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$ (1) 前提满足下,假设 (2) 不成立,即 \mathcal{P} 存在 infinite descending chain. 把这个 chain 上的元素取出来组成一个 subset S, 那么任取 a_k 都有 $a_{k+1} \leq a_k$. 即找不到 minimal.
- $(2)\Rightarrow (1)$ (2) 前提满足下,假设 (1) 不成立. 这里需要用一下选择公理了,定义 S 上一个选择函数 $f\colon S\to T$,其中 $T\subseteq S$. 让 $a_0=f(S)$,递归地定义对任意的 $i\in\omega$ 有 $a_{i+1}=f(\{s\in S\mid s< a_i\})$. 接下来让这个 definition make sense,(2) 前提下 S 是没有 minimal,所以 $\{s\in S\mid s\leq a_i\}$ 不是 empty set. 这样就找到了一个 infinite descending chain,与假设矛盾.
 - $(1) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3)$
 - $(3) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (1)$

done well!

Lemma 1.13. Let \mathcal{P} be an poset satisfying the DCC. If $\varphi(x)$ is statement such that

- 1. $\varphi(x)$ holds for all minimal elements of P, and
- 2. whenever $\varphi(y)$ holds for all y < x, then $\varphi(x)$ holds,

then $\varphi(x)$ is true for every element of P.

这个 lemma 有点意思,如果对 P 上所有的 minimal element m 都有命题 $\varphi(m)$ 成立,且 \mathcal{P} 满足 DCC. 那么再加上一个条件: 只要对任意元素 $x \in P$,满足 y < x 都有 $\varphi(y)$ 成立. 则对任意元素 $x \in P$ 都有 $\varphi(x)$ 成立.

证明. 其实 (1) 是 (2) 的一个 special case. 在 (1)(2)hold 的情况下,我们试想一下 $\varphi(x)$ 没有被 hold 住的是哪些元素呢? 即对于某个 x,存在 y < x 使得 $\varphi(y)$ 没有被 hold. 递归地,我们再去考虑这个 y. 那么这里就存在一条 descending chain 在这里,由于 \mathcal{P} 是满足 DCC,所以这个 descending chain 是 infinite 的. 这条 chain 的 结尾显然是一个 minimal element,但是它是满足 $\varphi(x)$. 所以实际上是不存在这里的 x 不满足 $\varphi(x)$.

Definition 1.14. Let \mathcal{P} be poset. Two elements a and b of \mathcal{P} are called comparable if $a \leq b$ or $a \geq b$. Otherwise, they are called incomparable.

可比性.

Definition 1.15. An antichain in \mathcal{P} is a subset A of \mathcal{P} in which each pair of different element are incomparable.

Definition 1.16. Define the width of an poset \mathcal{P} by

$$w(\mathcal{P}) = \sup\{ |A| \mid A \text{ is an antichain in } \mathcal{P} \}$$

where |A| denotes the cardinality(集合的势) of A.

Definition 1.17. We define the chain-covering-number CCN $c(\mathcal{P})$ to be the least cardinal number k, such that P is a union of k chains(finite) of P, means $P = \bigcup C_i$

另一种 covering number, 有趣. **Lemma 1.18.** Suppose $P = \bigcup C_i$ where $i \in I$, then $w(\mathcal{P}) \leq |I|$. 证明. 因为 $|A\cap C_i|\leq 1$ for $i\in I$. 也就是说你把 A 里面的元素分开塞到 C_i 上,每次都只能塞一个. 那么最多你 可以每个 C_i 上都塞一个.

Theorem 1.19. (Dilworth ,1950) Let \mathcal{P} be a finite poset. $w(\mathcal{P})$ is width. Then \mathcal{P} is a union of $w(\mathcal{P})$ -chains. 证明. TODO.

Semilattices, Lattices and Complete Lattices

Definition 2.1. A semilattice is an algebra S = (S, *) satisfying, for all $x, y, z \in S$,

- 1. x * x = x,
- 2. x * y = y * x,
- 3. x * (y * z) = x * (y * z).

where * is binary operator. 换句话说 semilattice 就是一个 idempotent commutative semigroup(幂等交换半群).

Theorem 2.2. In a semilattice S, define $x \leq y$ if x * y = x. Then (S, \leq) is a poset in which every pair of elements has a greater lower bound.

Conversely, given an poset P with that property, define x * y = g.l.b(x, y). Then (P, *) is a semilattice.

semilattice 上弄了一个特殊的 poset 出来,它最好的性质就是任意两个元素都有一个下确界. 把 * 换成 \cap , 然后把 \leq 换成 \subseteq , 可能就很熟悉了. A semilattice with the above ordering is usually called meet semilattice. 证明. 先证明这个是一个 poset.

- 1. x * x = x implies x leq x,
- 2. if $x \leq y$ and $x \geq y$, then x = x * y = y * x = y,
- 3. if $x \le y$ and $y \le z$. then x * z = (x * y) * z = x * (y * z) = x * y = x, so $x \le z$.

这个 greater lower bound 就是 x*y. 首先证明它是一个 lower bound, x*(x*y) = x*y and y*(x*y) = x*y, 所以 x*y 是一个 lower bound. 再来证明所有的 lower bound 都比它小,假设 $z \le x$ 和 $z \le x$,即 z 是 $\{x,y\}$ 的一个 bound. 那么 z*(x*y) = z*y = z,所以 $z \le (x*y)$. 最后 x*y 的一个 greater lower bound.

对偶地, 使得 $x \ge y \iff x * y = x$, 则称 S 为是一个join semilattice.

Definition 2.3. A homomorphism between two semilattice is a map $f: S \to T$ with the property that f(x * y) = f(x) * f(y). An isomorphism is a homomorphism that injective and surjective.

nothing new...

Theorem 2.4. Let S be a meet semilattice. Define $\phi: S \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(S)$ by

$$\phi(x) = \{ y \in S \mid y \le x \}$$

where $\mathcal{O}(S)$ is collection of all order ideals of S. Then S is isomorphic $(\mathcal{O}(S), \cap)$ (注意这里是 S 的 image).

怎么感觉这些 ideal 都是 principle ideal.

证明. \cap 表示 set inclusion, ϕ 是 order-preserving 和 order-reflecting 还是比 obvious. 所以 ϕ 是一个 order embedding of \mathcal{S} into $\mathcal{O}(\mathcal{S})$. Moreover $\phi(x \wedge y) = \phi(x) \cap \phi(y)$ because $x \wedge y$ is the greate lower bound of $\{x, y\}$, so that $z \leq x \wedge v$ if and only if $z \leq x$ and $z \leq y$.

Definition 2.5. A lattice is an algebra $\mathcal{L} = (L, \wedge, \vee)$ satisfying, for all $x, y, z \in L$,

- 1. $x \wedge x = x$ and $x \vee x = x$,
- 2. $x \wedge y = y \wedge x$ and $x \vee y = y \vee x$,
- 3. $x \wedge (y \wedge z) = (x \wedge y) \wedge z$ and $x \vee (y \vee z) = (x \vee y) \vee z$,
- 4. $x \wedge (x \vee y) = x$ and $x \vee (x \wedge y) = x$.

就第四个在我们眼里似乎没有那么自然,它叫 absorption laws(吸收律),它在这里可以保证后面 ^ 和 > 定义了相同的 partial order(虽然是 dual). 前三个我们知道 lattice 同时在两种 binary operator 都是 semilattice, 所以我们只要在 lattoce 上定义前面合适的 partial order, 它就是 both meet and join semilattice.

Theorem 2.6. In a lattice \mathcal{L} , define $x \leq y$ if and only if $x \wedge y = x$. Then (L, \leq) is a poset in which every pair of elements has a greatest lower bound and a least upper bound.

证明. 给定一个 pair (x,y). 前面已经证明了 $x \wedge y$ 是它的一个 greater lower bound. 再根据 lattice definition 的 第四条的第一个式子, $x \vee y$ 是它的一个 upper bound,第二式子说明当 $x \geq y$ 时,有 $x \vee y = x$,对偶地 $x \vee y$ 是 least upper bound.

这里若 $x \wedge y = x$,则 $x \vee y = (x \wedge y) \vee y = y$. 类似地 $x \vee y = y$,则 $x \wedge y = x \wedge (x \vee y) = x$. 所以有一个很重要的结论就是 $x \wedge y = x \iff x \vee y = y$.

类似的我们可以通过一个 poset 构造 lattice.

Theorem 2.7. Given an poset \mathcal{P} with that above property, define $x \wedge y = \sup\{x,y\}$ and $x \vee y = \inf\{x,y\}$. Then (P, \wedge, \vee) is a lattice.

所以实际上 lattice 可以有两种定义第一种是前面的代数定义,第二种就是在 poset 上定义 join 和 meet 操作,这一点要清楚.

the definitions of sublattice, homomorphism and isomorphism).

Definition 2.8. For a subset A of a poset P, let A^u denote the set of all upper bounds of A,

$$A^{u} = \{ x \in P \mid x \ge a \text{ for all } a \in A \}$$
$$= \bigcap_{a \in A} \uparrow a$$

where $\uparrow a = \{ x \in P \mid x \geq a \}$. Dually, A^l is the set of all lower bounds of A,

$$A^{l} = \{ x \in P \mid x \le a \text{ for all } a \in A \}$$
$$= \bigcap_{a \in A} \downarrow a$$

where $\uparrow a = \{ x \in P \mid x \le a \}.$

思考一个问题poset P 的一个 subset A 什么时候 least upper bound? 很显然 A^u 一定不是空的,更确切地说 A^u 有一个 greatest lower upper z,而且 $z \in A^u$,根据 z 的 definition 它是 A 的 least upper bound. 这种情况下我们就说the join of A exists,and write $z = \bigvee A$. 对偶地,考虑 A 的 greatest lower bound,则 A^l 一定不为空,那么 A^u 里面是有一个 lower upper bound 的 w,根据 w 的 definition 它是 A 的 greatest lower bound. 这种情况下我们就说the meet of A exists,and write $w = \bigwedge A$.

这样我们 define 两个特殊的 meet 和 join 作用在一个集合上.

Theorem 2.9. Let S be a finite meet semilattice with greatest element 1. Then S is a lattice with join operation defined by

$$x \lor y = \bigwedge \{x, y\}^u = \bigwedge (\uparrow x \cap \uparrow y).$$

证明. S 有 greatest element,则 A^u 肯定不是空了,至少这个 greatest element 里面. $\bigwedge A^u$ 就是要找 A^u 的 lower upper bound,很显然这个 greatest element 就是的,因为你任取 $a,b\in x\cap \uparrow y$,都有 $a\leq 1$ 和 $b\leq 1$,同时 1 也在 A^u 里面. 怎么感觉这个结论那个 trivial 呢 (

还得 proof 一下这个是一个 lattice, 上面只是证明了这个东西是 well behaved. Lattice definition 中前三条 还是比较明显的.

$$x \wedge (x \vee y) = x$$

这也很显然, 因为 $x \lor y \in \{x,y\}^u$.

$$x \lor (x \land y) = x$$

因为 $x \wedge y$ 是 $\{x,y\}$ 的一个 greatest lower bound,有 $x \geq x \wedge y$,那么 $\inf(x,x \wedge y) = x$.

这个 theorem 告诉我们: if a finite poset P has a greatest element and every pair of elements has a meet, then P is a lattice.