



TOPIC:5-Properties of Lattice

Property: 1 [Idempotent law]

Let (L, \leq) be a lattice, for any $a, b, c \in L$

$$a * a = a \text{ and } a \oplus a = a.$$

Proof:

$$a \oplus a = \text{LUB}(a, a) = a \quad \& \quad a * a = \text{GLB}(a, a) = a$$

$$\Rightarrow \cancel{a \oplus a} \quad a \oplus a = a \quad \& \quad a * a = a.$$

Property: 2 [Commutative law]

Let (L, \leq) be given lattice. Then for any $a, b \in L$

$$a * b = b * a \quad \text{and} \quad a \oplus b = b \oplus a.$$

Proof:

$$a * b = \text{GLB}(a, b)$$

$$= \text{GLB}(b, a)$$

$$= b * a$$

$$\Rightarrow a * b = b * a$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{By } a \oplus b &= \text{LUB}(a, b) \\ &= \text{LUB}(b, a) \\ &= b \oplus a \\ \Rightarrow a \oplus b &= b \oplus a \end{aligned}$$

Property: 3 : (Associative law)

Let (L, \leq) be given lattice. Then for any $a, b, c \in L$, $(a * b) * c = a * (b * c)$ & $(a \oplus b) \oplus c = a \oplus (b \oplus c)$

Proof:

Let $a, b, c \in L$ by the definition we have

$$(a * b) * c \leq a * b$$

$$\& (a * b) * c \leq c$$

By the def. of GLB of $a * b$, we have

$$a * b \leq a \quad \& \quad a * b \leq b$$

$$\Rightarrow (a * b) * c \leq a * c \leq a$$

$$\cup (a * b) * c \leq b * c \leq b$$

As $(a * b) * c \leq a$ & $(a * b) * c \leq b$



As $(a \oplus b) \oplus c \leq b$ & $(a \oplus b) \oplus c \leq c$
we see that $(a \oplus b) \oplus c$ is lower bound for b & c
it follows that $(a \oplus b) \oplus c \leq b \oplus c$

As $(a \oplus b) \oplus c \leq a$ & $(a \oplus b) \oplus c \leq b \oplus c$
From the def. of $a \oplus (b \oplus c)$, we have
 $(a \oplus b) \oplus c \leq a \oplus (b \oplus c)$ — (1)

Now $a \oplus (b \oplus c) \leq a$ & $a \oplus (b \oplus c) \leq b \oplus c$
 $\Rightarrow a \oplus (b \oplus c) \leq b$ [$a \oplus b \oplus c \leq b$]

Since $a \oplus (b \oplus c) \leq a$ & $a \oplus (b \oplus c) \leq b$

we have $a \oplus (b \oplus c) \leq a \oplus b$ — (i)

As $a \oplus (b \oplus c) \leq b \oplus c \leq c$ — (ii)

from (i) & (ii)

$a \oplus (b \oplus c) \leq (a \oplus b) \oplus c$ — (2)

From (1) & (2) by antisymmetric property
 $a \oplus (b \oplus c) = (a \oplus b) \oplus c$.

\therefore we can prove that $a \oplus (b \oplus c) = (a \oplus b) \oplus c$.



Property: 4: Absorption law

Let (L, \leq) be given lattice. Then for any $a, b, c \in L$ $a \wedge (a \vee b) = a$ & $(a \wedge b) \vee a = a$

Proof:

Since $a \wedge b$ is GLB of $\{a, b\}$, we have

$$a \wedge b \leq a \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

~~Obviously~~ obviously $a \leq a$ --- (2)

From (1) & (2), we have

$$a \vee (a \wedge b) \leq a \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

By def. of LUB, we have

$$a \leq a \vee (a \wedge b) \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

By (3) & (4)

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

lly we can prove $a \wedge (a \vee b) = a$. $\&$



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