

# Discrete Mathematics

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# Review

- Review of a partial order set
- Review of abstract algebra
- Lattice and Sublattice

# Outline

- Special Lattices
- Boolean Algebra

## Definition (Ring)

Given a ring  $R$  and a nonempty set  $I \subseteq R$ .  $I$  is an *ideal* of  $R$  if it subjects to:

- 1 For any  $a, b \in I$ ,  $a - b \in I$ .
- 2 For any  $a \in I, r \in R$ ,  $ar, ra \in I$ .

## Definition (Lattice)

A subset  $I$  of a lattice  $L$  is an *ideal* if it is a sublattice of  $L$  and  $x \in I$  and  $a \in L$  imply that  $x \cap a \in I$ .

A proper ideal  $I$  of  $L$  is *prime* if  $a, b \in L$  and  $a \cap b \in I$  imply that  $a \in I$  or  $b \in I$ .

## Example

Given a lattice and sublattice  $P$  and  $I$  as shown in the following Figure, where  $P = \{a, 0\}$  and  $I = \{0\}$ .

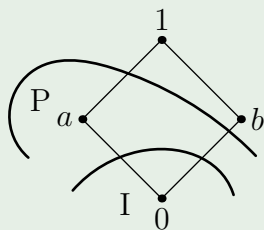


Figure : Ideal and prime ideal

## Definition

- 1 The ideal generated by a subset  $H$  will be denoted by  $id(H)$ , and if  $H = \{a\}$ , we write  $id(a)$  for  $id(a)$ ; we shall call  $id(a)$  a *principal ideal*.
- 2 For an order  $P$ , a subset  $A \subseteq P$  is called *down-set* if  $x \in A$  and  $y \leq x$  imply that  $y \in A$ .

## Theorem

Let  $L$  be a lattice and let  $H$  and  $I$  be nonempty subsets of  $L$ .

①  $I$  is an ideal if and only if the following two conditions hold:

- ①  $a, b \in I$  implies that  $a \cup b \in I$ ,
- ②  $I$  is a down-set.

②  $I = id(H)$  if and only if

$I = \{x \mid x \leq h_0 \cup \dots \cup h_{n-1} \text{ for some } n \geq 1 \text{ and } h_0, \dots, h_{n-1} \in H\}$ .

③ For  $a \in L$ ,  $id(a) = \{x \cap a \mid x \in L\}$ .

# Special Lattice

## Definition

A lattice  $L$  is complete if any (finite or infinite) subset  $A = \{a_i | i \in I\}$  has a least upper bound  $\cup_{i \in I} a_i$  and a greatest lower bound  $\cap_{i \in I} a_i$ .

## Definition

A lattice  $L$  is bounded if it has a greatest element 1 and a least element 0.

## Theorem

*Finite lattice  $L = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$  is bounded.*



# Special Lattice

## Definition

A lattice  $L$  with  $0$  and  $1$  is said to be complemented if for every  $a \in L$  there exists an  $a'$  such that  $a \cup a' = 1$  and  $a \cap a' = 0$ .

Sometimes, we can relax the restrictions by defining complement of  $b$  relative to  $a$  as  $b \cup b_1 = a, b \cap b_1 = 0$  if  $b, b_1 \leq a$ .

## Example

$\langle \mathcal{P}(S), \subseteq \rangle$  is complemented for any nonempty set  $S$ .

# Special Lattice

## Example

Given a poset  $\langle \{0, a, b, c, 1\}, R \rangle$  described in following figure.

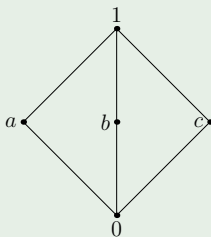


Figure : Complemented Lattice.

# Special Lattice

## Definition

A lattice  $L$  is distributive if for any  $a, b, c \in L$  such that:

- 1  $a \cap (b \cup c) = (a \cap b) \cup (a \cap c).$
- 2  $a \cup (b \cap c) = (a \cup b) \cap (a \cup c).$

If a lattice is not distributive, we call it non-distributive.

## Example

$\langle \mathcal{P}(S), \subseteq \rangle$  is distributive for any nonempty set  $S$ .

# Boolean Algebra

## Definition

A Boolean algebra is a lattice with 0 and 1 that is distributive and complemented.

## Example

$\langle \mathcal{P}(A), \subseteq \rangle$  is a Boolean algebra. Specially  $A = \{a, b\}$ .

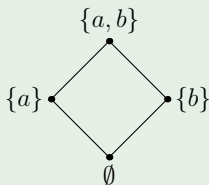


Figure :  $\mathcal{P}(A)$ , where  $A = \{a, b\}$ .

# Boolean Algebra

## Example

$\langle \{1, 2, 3, 6\}, | \rangle$  is a Boolean algebra.

First, we can verify that it is distributive and complemented. We can prove that  $\langle \{1, 2, 3, 6\}, | \rangle$  is isomorphic to  $\langle \mathcal{P}(\{a, b\}), \subseteq \rangle$ .

We know the mapping keep the properties of operations  $\cap, \cup$ . So  $\langle \{1, 2, 3, 6\}, | \rangle$  is also a Boolean algebra.

# Boolean Algebra

Theorem (**Stone's** Representation Theorem, 1936)

*Every finite Boolean algebra is isomorphic to the Boolean algebra of subsets of some finite set  $S$ .*

Corollary

*Every finite Boolean algebra has  $2^n$  elements for some  $n$ .*

# Boolean Algebra

## Theorem

*The complement  $a'$  of any element  $a$  of a Boolean algebra  $B$  is uniquely determined. The mapping  $'$  is a one-to-one mapping of  $B$  onto itself. It satisfies the conditions.*

$$(a \cup b)' = a' \cap b', \quad (a \cap b)' = a' \cup b'$$

# Boolean Algebra

## Definition

A ring is called *Boolean* if all of its elements are idempotent.

## Theorem

*Boolean algebra is equivalent to Boolean ring with identity.*

- 1 Define  $a + b = (a \cap b') \cup (a' \cap b)$  (*symmetric difference of  $a$  and  $b$* ) and  $a \cdot b = a \cap b$ .
- 2 Conversely, define  $a \cup b = a + b - ab$  and  $a \cap b = ab$  given a ring.



# Next Class

- Introduction to logic
- Some represented concepts