



UNIT 5- LATTICES AND BOOLEAN ALGEBRA

Lattices as posets

Lattice :

A lattice is a partially ordered set (L, \leq) in which every pair of elements $a, b \in L$ have both LUB and GLB.

Note:

LUB $\{a, b\} = a \vee b$ (or) $a \cup b$ (or) $a \oplus b$ (a join b)
GLB $\{a, b\} = a \wedge b$ (or) $a \cdot b$ (or) $a * b$ (a meet b)

A lattice is denoted by triplet (L, \wedge, \vee) (or) $(L, *, \oplus)$

Example:

1. Let A be any finite set

Then $(P(A), \subseteq)$ is a Lattice

$\wedge \rightarrow$ union

$\vee \rightarrow$ intersection

Problems :

1. Determine whether the posets
i. $(\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}, |)$ ii. $(\{1, 2, 4, 8, 16\}, |)$ are
lattices.

Soln.

i). $R = \{(1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (1, 5), (2, 4)\}$

Hasse diagram:

UB $\{2, 3\} =$ does not exist

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LUB $\{2, 3\} =$ does not exist

UB $\{1, 2\} = \{2, 4\}$

LUB $\{1, 2\} = 2$

Here LUB $\{2, 3\}$ does not exist.

\therefore It is not a Lattice.



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17). $R = \{ (1, 2), (1, 4), (1, 8), (1, 16), (2, 4), (2, 8), (2, 16), (4, 8), (4, 16), (8, 16) \}$



Every pair of elements have both G.L.B and L.U.B.
 \therefore It is a lattice.

27. $(\mathbb{Z}^+, /)$ is a lattice

Soln:

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

$$LUB\{a, b\} = LCM\{a, b\}$$

$$G.L.B\{a, b\} = G.C.D\{a, b\}$$

For eg., $a = 4, b = 20$

$$LUB\{4, 20\} = LCM\{4, 20\} = 20$$

$$G.L.B\{4, 20\} = G.C.D\{4, 20\} = 4$$

37. Draw Hasse diagram of all lattice with upto five elements.

Soln,

