LATTICE THEORY HOMEWORK PROBLEMS

Problem 0.

Lattices can be defined as ordered sets of the form $\langle L, \leq \rangle$ or as algebras of the form $\langle L, \lor, \land \rangle$. Work out the details that show these two ways to define the notion of lattice are equivalent.

Problem 1.

Let **L** be a lattice and let $\theta, \varphi \in \text{Con } \mathbf{L}$. Prove that $\theta \lor \varphi = \theta \cup \theta \circ \varphi \cup \theta \circ \varphi \circ \theta \cup \theta \circ \varphi \circ \theta \circ \varphi \cup \dots$.

Problem 2.

Consider the Galois connection established by a binary relation $R \subseteq A \times B$. Prove each of the following for all $X, X_0, X_1 \subseteq A$ and all $Y, Y_0, Y_1 \subseteq B$:

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{i. } X \subseteq X^{\rightarrow \leftarrow} \text{ and } Y \subseteq Y^{\leftarrow \rightarrow}.\\ \text{ii. } X_0 \subseteq X_1 \Rightarrow X_1^{\rightarrow} \subseteq X_0^{\rightarrow}.\\ \text{iii. } Y_0 \subseteq Y_1 \Rightarrow Y_1^{\rightarrow} \subseteq Y_0^{\rightarrow}.\\ \text{iv. } X^{\rightarrow \leftarrow \rightarrow} = X^{\rightarrow} \text{ and } Y^{\leftarrow \rightarrow \leftarrow} = Y^{\leftarrow}. \end{array}$

Problem 3.

Let Γ be an algebraic closure operator and let **L** be the resulting lattice of closed sets. Prove that **L** is an algebraic lattice and that the compact elements of this lattice are exactly the closures of finite sets.

Problem 4.

Prove that any modular lattice has a type 2 representation.

Problem 5.

Let ${\bf L}$ be a lattice. Prove that the following are equivalent:

.a The equation $x \wedge (y \vee z) \approx (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$ holds in **L**.

.b The equation $x \lor (y \land z) \approx (x \lor y) \land (x \lor z)$ holds in **L**.

.c The equation $(x \lor y) \land (x \lor z) \land (y \lor z) \approx (x \land y) \lor (x \land z) \lor (y \land z)$ holds in **L**.

.d \mathbf{L} has no sublattice isomorphic with \mathbf{N}_5 and no sublattice isomorphic with \mathbf{M}_3 .