

Directed Sets, Nets, Ideals, Filters, and Maps¹

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Summary. Notation and facts necessary to start with the formalization of continuous lattices according to [8] are introduced. The article contains among other things, the definition of directed and filtered subsets of a poset (see 1.1 in [8, p. 2]), the definition of nets on the poset (see 1.2 in [8, p. 2]), the definition of ideals and filters and the definition of maps preserving arbitrary and directed sups and arbitrary and filtered infs (1.9 also in [8, p. 4]). The concepts of semilattices, sup-semilattices and poset lattices (1.8 in [8, p. 4]) are also introduced. A number of facts concerning the above notion and including remarks 1.4, 1.5, and 1.10 from [8, pp. 3–5] is presented.

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The articles [12], [6], [14], [15], [17], [16], [7], [4], [5], [11], [3], [10], [1], [2], [13], and [9] provide the notation and terminology for this paper.

1. DIRECTED SUBSETS

Let L be a relational structure and let X be a subset of L . We say that X is directed if and only if:

(Def. 1) For all elements x, y of L such that $x \in X$ and $y \in X$ there exists an element z of L such that $z \in X$ and $x \leq z$ and $y \leq z$.

We say that X is filtered if and only if:

(Def. 2) For all elements x, y of L such that $x \in X$ and $y \in X$ there exists an element z of L such that $z \in X$ and $z \leq x$ and $z \leq y$.

One can prove the following two propositions:

- (1) Let L be a non empty transitive relational structure and X be a subset of L . Then X is non empty and directed if and only if for every finite subset Y of X there exists an element x of L such that $x \in X$ and $x \geq Y$.
- (2) Let L be a non empty transitive relational structure and X be a subset of L . Then X is non empty and filtered if and only if for every finite subset Y of X there exists an element x of L such that $x \in X$ and $x \leq Y$.

Let L be a relational structure. Observe that \emptyset_L is directed and filtered.

Let L be a relational structure. One can verify that there exists a subset of L which is directed and filtered.

We now state three propositions:

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- (3) Let L_1, L_2 be relational structures. Suppose the relational structure of $L_1 =$ the relational structure of L_2 . Let X_1 be a subset of L_1 and X_2 be a subset of L_2 . If $X_1 = X_2$ and X_1 is directed, then X_2 is directed.
- (4) Let L_1, L_2 be relational structures. Suppose the relational structure of $L_1 =$ the relational structure of L_2 . Let X_1 be a subset of L_1 and X_2 be a subset of L_2 . If $X_1 = X_2$ and X_1 is filtered, then X_2 is filtered.
- (5) For every non empty reflexive relational structure L and for every element x of L holds $\{x\}$ is directed and filtered.

Let L be a non empty reflexive relational structure. One can verify that there exists a subset of L which is directed, filtered, non empty, and finite.

Let L be a relational structure with l.u.b.'s. Observe that Ω_L is directed.

Let L be an upper-bounded non empty relational structure. Note that Ω_L is directed.

Let L be a relational structure with g.l.b.'s. Observe that Ω_L is filtered.

Let L be a lower-bounded non empty relational structure. Note that Ω_L is filtered.

Let L be a non empty relational structure and let S be a relational substructure of L . We say that S is filtered-infs-inheriting if and only if:

- (Def. 3) For every filtered subset X of S such that $X \neq \emptyset$ and $\inf X$ exists in L holds $\bigcap_L X \in$ the carrier of S .

We say that S is directed-sups-inheriting if and only if:

- (Def. 4) For every directed subset X of S such that $X \neq \emptyset$ and $\sup X$ exists in L holds $\bigcup_L X \in$ the carrier of S .

Let L be a non empty relational structure. Note that every relational substructure of L which is infs-inheriting is also filtered-infs-inheriting and every relational substructure of L which is sups-inheriting is also directed-sups-inheriting.

Let L be a non empty relational structure. Observe that there exists a relational substructure of L which is infs-inheriting, sups-inheriting, non empty, full, and strict.

Next we state two propositions:

- (6) Let L be a non empty transitive relational structure, S be a filtered-infs-inheriting non empty full relational substructure of L , and X be a filtered subset of S . Suppose $X \neq \emptyset$ and $\inf X$ exists in L . Then $\inf X$ exists in S and $\bigcap_S X = \bigcap_L X$.
- (7) Let L be a non empty transitive relational structure, S be a directed-sups-inheriting non empty full relational substructure of L , and X be a directed subset of S . Suppose $X \neq \emptyset$ and $\sup X$ exists in L . Then $\sup X$ exists in S and $\bigcup_S X = \bigcup_L X$.

2. NETS

Let L_1, L_2 be non empty 1-sorted structures, let f be a map from L_1 into L_2 , and let x be an element of L_1 . Then $f(x)$ is an element of L_2 .

Let L_1, L_2 be relational structures and let f be a map from L_1 into L_2 . We say that f is antitone if and only if:

- (Def. 5) For all elements x, y of L_1 such that $x \leq y$ and for all elements a, b of L_2 such that $a = f(x)$ and $b = f(y)$ holds $a \geq b$.

Let L be a 1-sorted structure. We consider net structures over L as extensions of relational structure as systems

\langle a carrier, an internal relation, a mapping \rangle ,

where the carrier is a set, the internal relation is a binary relation on the carrier, and the mapping is a function from the carrier into the carrier of L .

Let L be a 1-sorted structure, let X be a non empty set, let O be a binary relation on X , and let F be a function from X into the carrier of L . Note that $\langle X, O, F \rangle$ is non empty.

Let N be a relational structure. We say that N is directed if and only if:

(Def. 6) Ω_N is directed.

Let L be a 1-sorted structure. One can verify that there exists a strict net structure over L which is non empty, reflexive, transitive, antisymmetric, and directed.

Let L be a 1-sorted structure. A prenet over L is a directed non empty net structure over L .

Let L be a 1-sorted structure. A net in L is a transitive prenet over L .

Let L be a non empty 1-sorted structure and let N be a non empty net structure over L . The functor $\text{netmap}(N, L)$ yielding a map from N into L is defined as follows:

(Def. 7) $\text{netmap}(N, L) =$ the mapping of N .

Let i be an element of N . The functor $N(i)$ yielding an element of L is defined by:

(Def. 8) $N(i) =$ (the mapping of N)(i).

Let L be a non empty relational structure and let N be a non empty net structure over L . We say that N is monotone if and only if:

(Def. 9) $\text{netmap}(N, L)$ is monotone.

We say that N is antitone if and only if:

(Def. 10) $\text{netmap}(N, L)$ is antitone.

Let L be a non empty 1-sorted structure, let N be a non empty net structure over L , and let X be a set. We say that N is eventually in X if and only if:

(Def. 11) There exists an element i of N such that for every element j of N such that $i \leq j$ holds $N(j) \in X$.

We say that N is often in X if and only if:

(Def. 12) For every element i of N there exists an element j of N such that $i \leq j$ and $N(j) \in X$.

We now state three propositions:

(8) Let L be a non empty 1-sorted structure, N be a non empty net structure over L , and X, Y be sets such that $X \subseteq Y$. Then

- (i) if N is eventually in X , then N is eventually in Y , and
- (ii) if N is often in X , then N is often in Y .

(9) Let L be a non empty 1-sorted structure, N be a non empty net structure over L , and X be a set. Then N is eventually in X if and only if N is not often in $(\text{the carrier of } L) \setminus X$.

(10) Let L be a non empty 1-sorted structure, N be a non empty net structure over L , and X be a set. Then N is often in X if and only if N is not eventually in $(\text{the carrier of } L) \setminus X$.

Let L be a non empty relational structure and let N be a non empty net structure over L . We say that N is eventually-directed if and only if:

(Def. 13) For every element i of N holds N is eventually in $\{N(j); j \text{ ranges over elements of } N: N(i) \leq N(j)\}$.

We say that N is eventually-filtered if and only if:

(Def. 14) For every element i of N holds N is eventually in $\{N(j); j \text{ ranges over elements of } N: N(i) \geq N(j)\}$.

The following two propositions are true:

(11) Let L be a non empty relational structure and N be a non empty net structure over L . Then N is eventually-directed if and only if for every element i of N there exists an element j of N such that for every element k of N such that $j \leq k$ holds $N(i) \leq N(k)$.

- (12) Let L be a non empty relational structure and N be a non empty net structure over L . Then N is eventually-filtered if and only if for every element i of N there exists an element j of N such that for every element k of N such that $j \leq k$ holds $N(i) \geq N(k)$.

Let L be a non empty relational structure. One can verify that every prenet over L which is monotone is also eventually-directed and every prenet over L which is antitone is also eventually-filtered.

Let L be a non empty reflexive relational structure. Observe that there exists a prenet over L which is monotone, antitone, and strict.

3. LOWER AND UPPER SUBSETS

Let L be a relational structure and let X be a subset of L . The functor $\downarrow X$ yields a subset of L and is defined by:

- (Def. 15) For every element x of L holds $x \in \downarrow X$ iff there exists an element y of L such that $y \geq x$ and $y \in X$.

The functor $\uparrow X$ yielding a subset of L is defined by:

- (Def. 16) For every element x of L holds $x \in \uparrow X$ iff there exists an element y of L such that $y \leq x$ and $y \in X$.

One can prove the following propositions:

- (13) Let L_1, L_2 be relational structures. Suppose the relational structure of $L_1 =$ the relational structure of L_2 . Let X be a subset of L_1 and Y be a subset of L_2 . If $X = Y$, then $\downarrow X = \downarrow Y$ and $\uparrow X = \uparrow Y$.
- (14) Let L be a non empty relational structure and X be a subset of L . Then $\downarrow X = \{x; x \text{ ranges over elements of } L: \bigvee_{y: \text{element of } L} (x \leq y \wedge y \in X)\}$.
- (15) Let L be a non empty relational structure and X be a subset of L . Then $\uparrow X = \{x; x \text{ ranges over elements of } L: \bigvee_{y: \text{element of } L} (x \geq y \wedge y \in X)\}$.

Let L be a non empty reflexive relational structure and let X be a non empty subset of L . Note that $\downarrow X$ is non empty and $\uparrow X$ is non empty.

One can prove the following proposition

- (16) For every reflexive relational structure L and for every subset X of L holds $X \subseteq \downarrow X$ and $X \subseteq \uparrow X$.

Let L be a non empty relational structure and let x be an element of L . The functor $\downarrow x$ yielding a subset of L is defined as follows:

- (Def. 17) $\downarrow x = \downarrow \{x\}$.

The functor $\uparrow x$ yields a subset of L and is defined as follows:

- (Def. 18) $\uparrow x = \uparrow \{x\}$.

One can prove the following propositions:

- (17) For every non empty relational structure L and for all elements x, y of L holds $y \in \downarrow x$ iff $y \leq x$.
- (18) For every non empty relational structure L and for all elements x, y of L holds $y \in \uparrow x$ iff $x \leq y$.
- (19) Let L be a non empty reflexive antisymmetric relational structure and x, y be elements of L . If $\downarrow x = \downarrow y$, then $x = y$.

- (20) Let L be a non empty reflexive antisymmetric relational structure and x, y be elements of L . If $\uparrow x = \uparrow y$, then $x = y$.
- (21) For every non empty transitive relational structure L and for all elements x, y of L such that $x \leq y$ holds $\downarrow x \subseteq \downarrow y$.
- (22) For every non empty transitive relational structure L and for all elements x, y of L such that $x \leq y$ holds $\uparrow y \subseteq \uparrow x$.

Let L be a non empty reflexive relational structure and let x be an element of L . One can check that $\downarrow x$ is non empty and directed and $\uparrow x$ is non empty and filtered.

Let L be a relational structure and let X be a subset of L . We say that X is lower if and only if:

(Def. 19) For all elements x, y of L such that $x \in X$ and $y \leq x$ holds $y \in X$.

We say that X is upper if and only if:

(Def. 20) For all elements x, y of L such that $x \in X$ and $x \leq y$ holds $y \in X$.

Let L be a relational structure. Note that there exists a subset of L which is lower and upper. We now state several propositions:

- (23) For every relational structure L and for every subset X of L holds X is lower iff $\downarrow X \subseteq X$.
- (24) For every relational structure L and for every subset X of L holds X is upper iff $\uparrow X \subseteq X$.
- (25) Let L_1, L_2 be relational structures. Suppose the relational structure of $L_1 =$ the relational structure of L_2 . Let X_1 be a subset of L_1 and X_2 be a subset of L_2 such that $X_1 = X_2$. Then
- (i) if X_1 is lower, then X_2 is lower, and
 - (ii) if X_1 is upper, then X_2 is upper.
- (26) Let L be a relational structure and A be a subset of $2^{\text{the carrier of } L}$. Suppose that for every subset X of L such that $X \in A$ holds X is lower. Then $\bigcup A$ is a lower subset of L .
- (27) Let L be a relational structure and X, Y be subsets of L . If X is lower and Y is lower, then $X \cap Y$ is lower and $X \cup Y$ is lower.
- (28) Let L be a relational structure and A be a subset of $2^{\text{the carrier of } L}$. Suppose that for every subset X of L such that $X \in A$ holds X is upper. Then $\bigcup A$ is an upper subset of L .
- (29) Let L be a relational structure and X, Y be subsets of L . If X is upper and Y is upper, then $X \cap Y$ is upper and $X \cup Y$ is upper.

Let L be a non empty transitive relational structure and let X be a subset of L . Note that $\downarrow X$ is lower and $\uparrow X$ is upper.

Let L be a non empty transitive relational structure and let x be an element of L . Note that $\downarrow x$ is lower and $\uparrow x$ is upper.

Let L be a non empty relational structure. Observe that Ω_L is lower and upper.

Let L be a non empty relational structure. Note that there exists a subset of L which is non empty, lower, and upper.

Let L be a non empty reflexive transitive relational structure. Observe that there exists a subset of L which is non empty, lower, and directed and there exists a subset of L which is non empty, upper, and filtered.

Let L be a poset with g.l.b.'s and l.u.b.'s. One can check that there exists a subset of L which is non empty, directed, filtered, lower, and upper.

Next we state the proposition

- (30) Let L be a non empty transitive reflexive relational structure and X be a subset of L . Then X is directed if and only if $\downarrow X$ is directed.

Let L be a non empty transitive reflexive relational structure and let X be a directed subset of L . One can check that $\downarrow X$ is directed.

The following propositions are true:

- (31) Let L be a non empty transitive reflexive relational structure, X be a subset of L , and x be an element of L . Then $x \geq X$ if and only if $x \geq \downarrow X$.
- (32) Let L be a non empty transitive reflexive relational structure and X be a subset of L . Then $\sup X$ exists in L if and only if $\sup \downarrow X$ exists in L .
- (33) Let L be a non empty transitive reflexive relational structure and X be a subset of L . If $\sup X$ exists in L , then $\sup X = \sup \downarrow X$.
- (34) For every non empty poset L and for every element x of L holds $\sup \downarrow x$ exists in L and $\sup \downarrow x = x$.
- (35) Let L be a non empty transitive reflexive relational structure and X be a subset of L . Then X is filtered if and only if $\uparrow X$ is filtered.

Let L be a non empty transitive reflexive relational structure and let X be a filtered subset of L . One can verify that $\uparrow X$ is filtered.

We now state four propositions:

- (36) Let L be a non empty transitive reflexive relational structure, X be a subset of L , and x be an element of L . Then $x \leq X$ if and only if $x \leq \uparrow X$.
- (37) Let L be a non empty transitive reflexive relational structure and X be a subset of L . Then $\inf X$ exists in L if and only if $\inf \uparrow X$ exists in L .
- (38) Let L be a non empty transitive reflexive relational structure and X be a subset of L . If $\inf X$ exists in L , then $\inf X = \inf \uparrow X$.
- (39) For every non empty poset L and for every element x of L holds $\inf \uparrow x$ exists in L and $\inf \uparrow x = x$.

4. IDEALS AND FILTERS

Let L be a non empty reflexive transitive relational structure. An ideal of L is a directed lower non empty subset of L . A filter of L is a filtered upper non empty subset of L .

One can prove the following propositions:

- (40) Let L be an antisymmetric relational structure with l.u.b.'s and X be a lower subset of L . Then X is directed if and only if for all elements x, y of L such that $x \in X$ and $y \in X$ holds $x \sqcup y \in X$.
- (41) Let L be an antisymmetric relational structure with g.l.b.'s and X be an upper subset of L . Then X is filtered if and only if for all elements x, y of L such that $x \in X$ and $y \in X$ holds $x \sqcap y \in X$.
- (42) Let L be a poset with l.u.b.'s and X be a non empty lower subset of L . Then X is directed if and only if for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\sqcup_L Y \in X$.
- (43) Let L be a poset with g.l.b.'s and X be a non empty upper subset of L . Then X is filtered if and only if for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\sqcap_L Y \in X$.
- (44) Let L be a non empty antisymmetric relational structure. Suppose L has l.u.b.'s and g.l.b.'s. Let X, Y be subsets of L . Suppose X is lower and directed and Y is lower and directed. Then $X \cap Y$ is directed.

(45) Let L be a non empty antisymmetric relational structure. Suppose L has l.u.b.'s and g.l.b.'s. Let X, Y be subsets of L . Suppose X is upper and filtered and Y is upper and filtered. Then $X \cap Y$ is filtered.

(46) Let L be a relational structure and A be a subset of $2^{\text{the carrier of } L}$. Suppose that

- (i) for every subset X of L such that $X \in A$ holds X is directed, and
- (ii) for all subsets X, Y of L such that $X \in A$ and $Y \in A$ there exists a subset Z of L such that $Z \in A$ and $X \cup Y \subseteq Z$.

Let X be a subset of L . If $X = \bigcup A$, then X is directed.

(47) Let L be a relational structure and A be a subset of $2^{\text{the carrier of } L}$. Suppose that

- (i) for every subset X of L such that $X \in A$ holds X is filtered, and
- (ii) for all subsets X, Y of L such that $X \in A$ and $Y \in A$ there exists a subset Z of L such that $Z \in A$ and $X \cup Y \subseteq Z$.

Let X be a subset of L . If $X = \bigcup A$, then X is filtered.

Let L be a non empty reflexive transitive relational structure and let I be an ideal of L . We say that I is principal if and only if:

(Def. 21) There exists an element x of L such that $x \in I$ and $x \geq I$.

Let L be a non empty reflexive transitive relational structure and let F be a filter of L . We say that F is principal if and only if:

(Def. 22) There exists an element x of L such that $x \in F$ and $x \leq F$.

We now state two propositions:

(48) Let L be a non empty reflexive transitive relational structure and I be an ideal of L . Then I is principal if and only if there exists an element x of L such that $I = \downarrow x$.

(49) Let L be a non empty reflexive transitive relational structure and F be a filter of L . Then F is principal if and only if there exists an element x of L such that $F = \uparrow x$.

Let L be a non empty reflexive transitive relational structure. The functor $\text{Ids}(L)$ yielding a set is defined as follows:

(Def. 23) $\text{Ids}(L) = \{X : X \text{ ranges over ideals of } L\}$.

The functor $\text{Filt}(L)$ yields a set and is defined by:

(Def. 24) $\text{Filt}(L) = \{X : X \text{ ranges over filters of } L\}$.

Let L be a non empty reflexive transitive relational structure. The functor $\text{Ids}_0(L)$ yields a set and is defined by:

(Def. 25) $\text{Ids}_0(L) = \text{Ids}(L) \cup \{\emptyset\}$.

The functor $\text{Filt}_0(L)$ yielding a set is defined by:

(Def. 26) $\text{Filt}_0(L) = \text{Filt}(L) \cup \{\emptyset\}$.

Let L be a non empty relational structure and let X be a subset of L . The functor $\text{finsups}(X)$ yields a subset of L and is defined by:

(Def. 27) $\text{finsups}(X) = \{\bigcup_L Y; Y \text{ ranges over finite subsets of } X: \sup Y \text{ exists in } L\}$.

The functor $\text{fininfs}(X)$ yielding a subset of L is defined by:

(Def. 28) $\text{fininfs}(X) = \{\bigcap_L Y; Y \text{ ranges over finite subsets of } X: \inf Y \text{ exists in } L\}$.

Let L be a non empty antisymmetric lower-bounded relational structure and let X be a subset of L . Note that $\text{finsups}(X)$ is non empty.

Let L be a non empty antisymmetric upper-bounded relational structure and let X be a subset of L . One can verify that $\text{fininfs}(X)$ is non empty.

Let L be a non empty reflexive antisymmetric relational structure and let X be a non empty subset of L . Observe that $\text{finsups}(X)$ is non empty and $\text{fininfs}(X)$ is non empty.

One can prove the following propositions:

- (50) For every non empty reflexive antisymmetric relational structure L and for every subset X of L holds $X \subseteq \text{finsups}(X)$ and $X \subseteq \text{fininfs}(X)$.
- (51) Let L be a non empty transitive relational structure and X, F be subsets of L . Suppose that
- (i) for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\sup Y$ exists in L ,
 - (ii) for every element x of L such that $x \in F$ there exists a finite subset Y of X such that $\sup Y$ exists in L and $x = \bigsqcup_L Y$, and
 - (iii) for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\bigsqcup_L Y \in F$.

Then F is directed.

Let L be a poset with l.u.b.'s and let X be a subset of L . Note that $\text{finsups}(X)$ is directed.

One can prove the following propositions:

- (52) Let L be a non empty transitive reflexive relational structure and X, F be subsets of L . Suppose that
- (i) for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\sup Y$ exists in L ,
 - (ii) for every element x of L such that $x \in F$ there exists a finite subset Y of X such that $\sup Y$ exists in L and $x = \bigsqcup_L Y$, and
 - (iii) for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\bigsqcup_L Y \in F$.

Let x be an element of L . Then $x \geq X$ if and only if $x \geq F$.

- (53) Let L be a non empty transitive reflexive relational structure and X, F be subsets of L . Suppose that
- (i) for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\sup Y$ exists in L ,
 - (ii) for every element x of L such that $x \in F$ there exists a finite subset Y of X such that $\sup Y$ exists in L and $x = \bigsqcup_L Y$, and
 - (iii) for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\bigsqcup_L Y \in F$.

Then $\sup X$ exists in L if and only if $\sup F$ exists in L .

- (54) Let L be a non empty transitive reflexive relational structure and X, F be subsets of L . Suppose that
- (i) for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\sup Y$ exists in L ,
 - (ii) for every element x of L such that $x \in F$ there exists a finite subset Y of X such that $\sup Y$ exists in L and $x = \bigsqcup_L Y$,
 - (iii) for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\bigsqcup_L Y \in F$, and
 - (iv) $\sup X$ exists in L .

Then $\sup F = \sup X$.

- (55) Let L be a poset with l.u.b.'s and X be a subset of L . If $\sup X$ exists in L or L is complete, then $\sup X = \sup \text{finsups}(X)$.

- (56) Let L be a non empty transitive relational structure and X, F be subsets of L . Suppose that
- (i) for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\inf Y$ exists in L ,
 - (ii) for every element x of L such that $x \in F$ there exists a finite subset Y of X such that $\inf Y$ exists in L and $x = \bigcap_L Y$, and
 - (iii) for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\bigcap_L Y \in F$.

Then F is filtered.

Let L be a poset with g.l.b.'s and let X be a subset of L . Observe that $\text{fininfs}(X)$ is filtered.

One can prove the following propositions:

- (57) Let L be a non empty transitive reflexive relational structure and X, F be subsets of L . Suppose that
- (i) for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\inf Y$ exists in L ,
 - (ii) for every element x of L such that $x \in F$ there exists a finite subset Y of X such that $\inf Y$ exists in L and $x = \bigcap_L Y$, and
 - (iii) for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\bigcap_L Y \in F$.

Let x be an element of L . Then $x \leq X$ if and only if $x \leq F$.

- (58) Let L be a non empty transitive reflexive relational structure and X, F be subsets of L . Suppose that
- (i) for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\inf Y$ exists in L ,
 - (ii) for every element x of L such that $x \in F$ there exists a finite subset Y of X such that $\inf Y$ exists in L and $x = \bigcap_L Y$, and
 - (iii) for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\bigcap_L Y \in F$.

Then $\inf X$ exists in L if and only if $\inf F$ exists in L .

- (59) Let L be a non empty transitive reflexive relational structure and X, F be subsets of L . Suppose that
- (i) for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\inf Y$ exists in L ,
 - (ii) for every element x of L such that $x \in F$ there exists a finite subset Y of X such that $\inf Y$ exists in L and $x = \bigcap_L Y$,
 - (iii) for every finite subset Y of X such that $Y \neq \emptyset$ holds $\bigcap_L Y \in F$, and
 - (iv) $\inf X$ exists in L .

Then $\inf F = \inf X$.

- (60) Let L be a poset with g.l.b.'s and X be a subset of L . If $\inf X$ exists in L or L is complete, then $\inf X = \inf \text{fininfs}(X)$.
- (61) Let L be a poset with l.u.b.'s and X be a subset of L . Then $X \subseteq \downarrow \text{finsups}(X)$ and for every ideal I of L such that $X \subseteq I$ holds $\downarrow \text{finsups}(X) \subseteq I$.
- (62) Let L be a poset with g.l.b.'s and X be a subset of L . Then $X \subseteq \uparrow \text{fininfs}(X)$ and for every filter F of L such that $X \subseteq F$ holds $\uparrow \text{fininfs}(X) \subseteq F$.

5. CHAINS

Let L be a non empty relational structure. We say that L is connected if and only if:

- (Def. 29) For all elements x, y of L holds $x \leq y$ or $y \leq x$.

Let us observe that every non empty reflexive relational structure which is trivial is also connected.

Let us note that there exists a non empty poset which is connected.

A chain is a connected non empty poset.

Let L be a chain. Note that L^\sim is connected.

6. SEMILATTICES

A semilattice is a poset with g.l.b.'s. A sup-semilattice is a poset with l.u.b.'s. A lattice is a poset with g.l.b.'s and l.u.b.'s.

The following propositions are true:

- (63) Let L be a semilattice and X be an upper non empty subset of L . Then X is a filter of L if and only if $\text{sub}(X)$ is meet-inheriting.
- (64) Let L be a sup-semilattice and X be a lower non empty subset of L . Then X is an ideal of L if and only if $\text{sub}(X)$ is join-inheriting.

7. MAPS

Let S, T be non empty relational structures, let f be a map from S into T , and let X be a subset of S . We say that f preserves inf of X if and only if:

(Def. 30) If $\text{inf } X$ exists in S , then $\text{inf } f^\circ X$ exists in T and $\text{inf}(f^\circ X) = f(\text{inf } X)$.

We say that f preserves sup of X if and only if:

(Def. 31) If $\text{sup } X$ exists in S , then $\text{sup } f^\circ X$ exists in T and $\text{sup}(f^\circ X) = f(\text{sup } X)$.

We now state the proposition

- (65) Let S_1, S_2, T_1, T_2 be non empty relational structures. Suppose that
- (i) the relational structure of $S_1 =$ the relational structure of T_1 , and
 - (ii) the relational structure of $S_2 =$ the relational structure of T_2 .

Let f be a map from S_1 into S_2 and g be a map from T_1 into T_2 . Suppose $f = g$. Let X be a subset of S_1 and Y be a subset of T_1 such that $X = Y$. Then

- (iii) if f preserves sup of X , then g preserves sup of Y , and
- (iv) if f preserves inf of X , then g preserves inf of Y .

Let L_1, L_2 be non empty relational structures and let f be a map from L_1 into L_2 . We say that f is infs-preserving if and only if:

(Def. 32) For every subset X of L_1 holds f preserves inf of X .

We say that f is sups-preserving if and only if:

(Def. 33) For every subset X of L_1 holds f preserves sup of X .

We say that f is meet-preserving if and only if:

(Def. 34) For all elements x, y of L_1 holds f preserves inf of $\{x, y\}$.

We say that f is join-preserving if and only if:

(Def. 35) For all elements x, y of L_1 holds f preserves sup of $\{x, y\}$.

We say that f is filtered-infs-preserving if and only if:

(Def. 36) For every subset X of L_1 such that X is non empty and filtered holds f preserves inf of X .

We say that f is directed-sups-preserving if and only if:

(Def. 37) For every subset X of L_1 such that X is non empty and directed holds f preserves sup of X .

Let L_1, L_2 be non empty relational structures. Observe that every map from L_1 into L_2 which is infs-preserving is also filtered-infs-preserving and meet-preserving and every map from L_1 into L_2 which is sups-preserving is also directed-sups-preserving and join-preserving.

Let S, T be relational structures and let f be a map from S into T . We say that f is isomorphic if and only if:

- (Def. 38)(i) f is one-to-one and monotone and there exists a map g from T into S such that $g = f^{-1}$ and g is monotone if S is non empty and T is non empty,
(ii) S is empty and T is empty, otherwise.

Next we state the proposition

- (66) Let S, T be non empty relational structures and f be a map from S into T . Then f is isomorphic if and only if the following conditions are satisfied:
(i) f is one-to-one,
(ii) $\text{rng } f = \text{the carrier of } T$, and
(iii) for all elements x, y of S holds $x \leq y$ iff $f(x) \leq f(y)$.

Let S, T be non empty relational structures. Observe that every map from S into T which is isomorphic is also one-to-one and monotone.

The following propositions are true:

- (67) Let S, T be non empty relational structures and f be a map from S into T . Suppose f is isomorphic. Then f^{-1} is a map from T into S and $\text{rng}(f^{-1}) = \text{the carrier of } S$.
(68) Let S, T be non empty relational structures and f be a map from S into T . Suppose f is isomorphic. Let g be a map from T into S . If $g = f^{-1}$, then g is isomorphic.
(69) Let S, T be non empty posets and f be a map from S into T . Suppose that for every filter X of S holds f preserves inf of X . Then f is monotone.
(70) Let S, T be non empty posets and f be a map from S into T . Suppose that for every filter X of S holds f preserves inf of X . Then f is filtered-infs-preserving.
(71) Let S be a semilattice, T be a non empty poset, and f be a map from S into T . Suppose that
(i) for every finite subset X of S holds f preserves inf of X , and
(ii) for every non empty filtered subset X of S holds f preserves inf of X .

Then f is infs-preserving.

- (72) Let S, T be non empty posets and f be a map from S into T . Suppose that for every ideal X of S holds f preserves sup of X . Then f is monotone.
(73) Let S, T be non empty posets and f be a map from S into T . Suppose that for every ideal X of S holds f preserves sup of X . Then f is directed-sups-preserving.
(74) Let S be a sup-semilattice, T be a non empty poset, and f be a map from S into T . Suppose that
(i) for every finite subset X of S holds f preserves sup of X , and
(ii) for every non empty directed subset X of S holds f preserves sup of X .

Then f is sups-preserving.

8. COMPLETENESS WRT DIRECTED SETS

Let L be a non empty reflexive relational structure. We say that L is up-complete if and only if the condition (Def. 39) is satisfied.

- (Def. 39) Let X be a non empty directed subset of L . Then there exists an element x of L such that $x \geq X$ and for every element y of L such that $y \geq X$ holds $x \leq y$.

Let us mention that every reflexive relational structure with l.u.b.'s which is up-complete is also upper-bounded.

One can prove the following proposition

(75) Let L be a non empty reflexive antisymmetric relational structure. Then L is up-complete if and only if for every non empty directed subset X of L holds $\sup X$ exists in L .

Let L be a non empty reflexive relational structure. We say that L is inf-complete if and only if the condition (Def. 40) is satisfied.

(Def. 40) Let X be a non empty subset of L . Then there exists an element x of L such that $x \leq X$ and for every element y of L such that $y \leq X$ holds $x \geq y$.

Next we state the proposition

(76) Let L be a non empty reflexive antisymmetric relational structure. Then L is inf-complete if and only if for every non empty subset X of L holds $\inf X$ exists in L .

One can check the following observations:

- * every non empty reflexive relational structure which is complete is also up-complete and inf-complete,
- * every non empty reflexive relational structure which is inf-complete is also lower-bounded, and
- * every non empty poset which is up-complete and lower-bounded and has l.u.b.'s is also complete.

One can verify that every non empty reflexive antisymmetric relational structure which is inf-complete has also g.l.b.'s.

One can verify that every non empty reflexive antisymmetric upper-bounded relational structure which is inf-complete has also l.u.b.'s.

Let us note that there exists a lattice which is complete and strict.

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