

## AN ALGEBRAIC CONCEPT ON DISTRIBUTIVE SUBSEMILATTICE

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In this paper, the idea of distributive filters is introduced based on subsemilattices. Some theorems are established. Further, generalization of distributive filters for convex subsemilattices, called distributive subsemilattice is introduced.

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### PRELIMINARIES

**A** lattice is a poset in which any two elements have a g.l.b and l.u.b.

A lattice  $L$  is called a **distributive lattice** if  $a \vee (b \wedge c) = (a \vee b) \wedge (a \vee c)$  for all  $a, b, c \in L$ .

A non empty subset  $S$  of a lattice  $L$  is called **sublattice** if  $a, b$  in  $S$  implies  $a \vee b, a \wedge b$  in  $S$ .

A **meet-semilattice** is **distributive**, if for all  $a, b$ , and  $x$ :

If  $a \wedge b \leq x$  then there exist  $a'$  and  $b'$  such that  $a \leq a', b \leq b'$  and  $x = a' \wedge b'$ .

A **join-semilattice** is **distributive**, if for all  $a, b$ , and  $x$ :

If  $x \leq a \vee b$  then there exist  $a'$  and  $b'$  such that  $a' \leq a, b' \leq b$  and  $x = a' \vee b'$ .

Any distributive meet-semilattice in which binary joins exist is a distributive lattice. A join-semilattice is distributive if and only if the lattice of its ideals is distributive.

A filter  $F$  of a lattice is called **distributive filter**

if  $F \vee (X \wedge Y) = (F \vee X) \wedge (F \vee Y)$  for all  $X, Y$  in  $F(L)$ .

Let  $S$  be a semilattice and  $D$  a non-empty subset of  $S$ , then  $D$  is called a **convex subsemilattice** if,

(i)  $a, b \in D \Rightarrow a \vee b \in D$ , (ii)  $x, y \in D, c \in S$  and  $x \leq c \leq y \Rightarrow c \in D$

A convex subsemilattice is generated by a subset  $A$  of a semilattice  $S$  will be denoted  $\langle A \rangle$

For any two non empty subsets of  $A$  and  $B$  of a semilattice  $S$ , it is defined that

$$A \vee B = \langle \{a \vee b/a \in A, b \in B\} \rangle \text{ and } A \wedge B = \langle \{x/x \in A, x \in B\} \rangle$$

That is  $A \vee B$  and  $A \wedge B$  are convex subsemilattices of  $S$  generated by the elements  $a \vee b$  and  $x = a = b$  (where  $a \in A, b \in B$ ) respectively.

**Theorem 1.** For each  $d \in S$ ,  $\{d\}$  is a distributive convex subsemilattice of  $S$ .

**Proof :** Take  $D = \{d\}$

$$D \cap X \neq \phi \Rightarrow d \in X \Rightarrow \langle D, X \rangle = X \quad \dots (1)$$

$$D \cap Y \neq \phi \Rightarrow d \in Y \Rightarrow \langle D, Y \rangle = Y \quad \dots (2)$$

Now  $d \in X, d \in Y$  implies  $d \in X \wedge Y$  and  $d \in X \vee Y$

$$\Rightarrow \langle D, X \wedge Y \rangle = X \wedge Y$$

and  $\langle D, X \vee Y \rangle = X \vee Y$

Using (1) & (2)

So  $\langle D, X \wedge Y \rangle = X \wedge Y = \langle D, X \rangle \wedge \langle D, Y \rangle$  and

$$\langle D, X \vee Y \rangle = X \vee Y = \langle D, X \rangle \vee \langle D, Y \rangle$$

Whenever  $D \cap X \neq \phi$  and  $D \cap Y \neq \phi$ .

Hence  $\{d\}$  is a distributive convex subsemilattice of  $S$ .

**Theorem 2.** A filter  $F$  of a semilattice  $S$  is distributive if and only if it is a distributive convex subsemilattice of  $S$ .

**Proof :** Assume that a filter  $F$  is a distributive convex subsemilattice.

**To prove :**  $F$  is a distributive filter

Let  $X, Y$  be any two arbitrary filters of  $S$

Then  $X, Y$  are convex subsemilattice of  $S$

Moreover  $F \cap X \supseteq \{1\} \neq \phi$

$$F \cap Y \supseteq \{1\} \neq \phi$$

Then we have by definition of convex subsemilattice.

$$\langle F, X \wedge Y \rangle = \langle F, X \rangle \wedge \langle F, Y \rangle$$

$$\langle F, X \vee Y \rangle = \langle F, X \rangle \vee \langle F, Y \rangle$$

Since  $\langle X, Y \rangle = X \vee Y$  for the filter  $X, Y$  of  $S$ , so we arrive at

$$F \vee (X \wedge Y) = (F \vee X) \wedge (F \vee Y) \text{ for all } X, Y \text{ of } F(S)$$

$$\Rightarrow F \text{ is a distributive filter}$$

Conversely, let a filter  $F$  be a distributive filter of a semilattice  $S$ .

**To prove**  $F$  is a distributive convex subsemilattice.

Let  $X, Y$  be any two arbitrary convex subsemilattice of  $S$ .

We have  $[X \wedge Y] = [X] \vee [Y]$

**Claim :**  $\langle F, X \wedge Y \rangle = \langle F, X \rangle \wedge \langle F, Y \rangle$

$$F \leq \langle F, X \rangle, F \leq \langle F, Y \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow & F \wedge F \leq \langle F, X \rangle \wedge \langle F, Y \rangle \\ \Rightarrow & F \leq \langle F, X \rangle \wedge \langle F, Y \rangle \end{aligned} \quad \dots (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & X \leq \langle F, X \rangle, Y \leq \langle F, Y \rangle \\ \Rightarrow & X \wedge Y \leq \langle F, X \rangle \wedge \langle F, Y \rangle \end{aligned} \quad \dots (2)$$

Therefore from (1) and (2),

$$\langle F, X \wedge Y \rangle \leq \langle F, X \rangle \wedge \langle F, Y \rangle \quad \dots (3)$$

Clearly,

$$\langle F, X \rangle = F \vee [X]$$

$$\langle F, Y \rangle = F \vee [Y]$$

and  $\langle F, X \wedge Y \rangle = F \vee [X \wedge Y]$

Clearly  $\langle F, X \rangle \wedge \langle F, Y \rangle$  is a convex subsemilattice

Let  $t \in \langle F, X \rangle \wedge \langle F, Y \rangle$

$$\Rightarrow t = a \wedge b \text{ where } a \in \langle F, X \rangle, b \in \langle F, Y \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow t = a \wedge b, \quad a = f_1 \wedge x_1 \text{ with } f_1 \in F, \quad x_1 \geq x, \quad x \text{ in } X$$

$$b = f_2 \wedge y_1 \text{ with } f_2 \in F, \quad y_1 \geq y, \quad y \text{ in } Y$$

$$\Rightarrow t = a \wedge b, \quad a \wedge b = f_1 \wedge f_2 \wedge x_1 \wedge y_1 \text{ with } f_1 \wedge f_2 \in F$$

$$x_1 \wedge y_1 \geq x \wedge y, \quad x \wedge y \in X \wedge Y$$

$$\Rightarrow t = a \wedge b, \quad a \wedge b = (f_1 \wedge f_2) \wedge (x_1 \wedge y_1)$$

with  $(f_1 \wedge f_2) \wedge (x_1 \wedge y_1) \in (F, X \wedge Y)$

$$t \in \langle F, X \wedge Y \rangle$$

Therefore,  $\langle F, X \rangle \wedge \langle F, Y \rangle \leq \langle F, X \wedge Y \rangle \quad \dots (4)$

From (3) and (4)

$$\langle F, X \rangle \wedge \langle F, Y \rangle = \langle F, X \wedge Y \rangle$$

Next we claim that  $\langle F, X \vee Y \rangle = \langle F, X \rangle \vee \langle F, Y \rangle$

We have

$$F \leq \langle F, X \rangle, \quad F \leq \langle F, Y \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow F \vee F \leq \langle F, X \rangle \vee \langle F, Y \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow F \leq \langle F, X \rangle \vee \langle F, Y \rangle$$

Also  $X \leq \langle F, X \rangle, Y \leq \langle F, Y \rangle$

$$\Rightarrow X \vee Y \leq \langle F, X \rangle \vee \langle F, Y \rangle$$

Therefore  $\langle F, X \vee Y \rangle \leq \langle F, X \rangle \vee \langle F, Y \rangle \quad \dots (5)$

Let  $t \in \langle F, X \rangle \vee \langle F, Y \rangle$  be arbitrary

$$\Rightarrow t \in (F \vee [X]) \vee (F \vee [Y])$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow & \quad t \geq a \wedge b, \text{ with } a \in F \vee [X] \\
& \quad \quad \quad b \in F \vee [Y] \\
\Rightarrow & \quad t \geq a \wedge b, \text{ with } a \geq f_1 \wedge x_1, f_1 \in F, x_1 \geq x, x \in X \\
& \quad \quad \quad b \geq f_2 \wedge y_1, f_2 \in F, y_1 \geq y, y \in Y \\
\Rightarrow & \quad t \geq (f_1 \wedge f_2) \wedge (x_1 \wedge y_1) \\
& \quad \quad \quad \text{with } f_1 \wedge f_2 \in F, x_1 \wedge y_1 \geq x \wedge y, x \wedge y \in X \vee Y \\
\Rightarrow & \quad t \in \langle F, X \vee Y \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\langle F, X \rangle \vee \langle F, Y \rangle \leq \langle F, X \vee Y \rangle$  ... (6)

From (5) and (6)

$$\langle F, X \rangle \vee \langle F, Y \rangle = \langle F, X \vee Y \rangle \text{ for all } X, Y \in \mathcal{F}(S)$$

Hence  $F$  is a distributive convex subsemilattice of  $S$ .

**Theorem 3.** A dual filter  $D$  of a semilattice  $S$  is distributive if and only if it is distributive convex subsemilattice of  $S$ .

**Proof :** Assume that the dual filter  $D$  of a semilattice  $S$  is a distributive convex subsemilattice of  $S$ . To prove that  $D$  is a distributive dual filter.

Let  $X, Y$  be two arbitrary dual filters of  $S$ . Then the dual filter  $X, Y$  are Convex subsemilattices.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Moreover} \quad & \quad D \cap X \supseteq \{0\} \neq \phi \\
& \quad \quad \quad D \cap Y \supseteq \{0\} \neq \phi. \\
& \quad \quad \quad \langle D, X \wedge Y \rangle = \langle D, X \rangle \wedge \langle D, Y \rangle \quad \dots(1)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\langle D, X \vee Y \rangle = \langle D, X \rangle \vee \langle D, Y \rangle \quad \dots(2)$$

$$\text{Since} \quad \langle X, Y \rangle = X \vee Y \quad \dots(3)$$

for the dual filter  $X, Y$  of  $S$ . so we arrive

Using (3) in (1)

$$D \vee (X \wedge Y) = (D \vee X) \wedge (D \vee Y) \quad \dots(4)$$

for all  $X, Y \in \mathcal{F}(S)$

$$D \vee (X \vee Y) = (D \vee X) \vee (D \vee Y)$$

Equation (4) gives that  $D$  is a distributive dual filter.

Conversely, let  $D$  be a distributive dual filter of a semilattice  $S$ .

**To prove** that  $D$  is a distributive convex subsemilattice of  $S$ .

Using the obvious equality

$$(X \wedge Y) = [X] \wedge [Y] \text{ valid for any subsets } X, Y \text{ of } S.$$

We have for convex subsemilattices of  $X, Y$  of  $S$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Now} \quad & \quad \langle D, X \wedge Y \rangle = D \vee (X \wedge Y) \\
& \quad \quad \quad = D \vee ([X] \wedge [Y]) \\
& \quad \quad \quad = (D \vee [X]) \wedge (D \vee [Y])
\end{aligned}$$

$$\langle D, X \rangle \wedge \langle D, Y \rangle = \langle D, X \vee \langle D, Y \rangle \rangle$$

And the distributive dual filter property gives

$$\langle D, X \wedge Y \rangle = \langle D, X \rangle \wedge \langle D, Y \rangle$$

Next we claim that (2) is valid for every dual filter  $D$  of  $S$

$$D \leq \langle D, X \rangle \quad \text{and} \quad D \leq \langle D, Y \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow D \vee D \leq \langle D, X \rangle \vee \langle D, Y \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow D \leq \langle D, X \rangle \vee \langle D, Y \rangle$$

$$X \leq \langle D, X \rangle \quad \text{and} \quad Y \leq \langle D, Y \rangle$$

Implies that  $X \vee Y \leq \langle D, X \rangle \vee \langle D, Y \rangle$

Therefore  $\langle D, X \vee Y \rangle \leq \langle D, X \rangle \vee \langle D, Y \rangle$

Now  $\langle D, X \rangle = D \vee (X]$

$$\langle D, Y \rangle = D \vee (Y]$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle D, X \rangle \vee \langle D, Y \rangle = (D \vee (X]) \vee (D \vee (Y])$$

and  $\langle D, X \vee Y \rangle = D \vee (X \vee Y]$

Clearly  $\langle D, X \rangle \vee \langle D, Y \rangle$  is a convex subsemilattice generated by the elements of the form  $(d_1 \vee x_1) \vee (d_2 \vee y_1)$  where  $d_1, d_2$  in  $D$ ,  $x_1$  in  $x$ ,  $x$  in  $X$  and  $y_1 \leq y$ ,  $y$  in  $Y$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 \vee y_1 \text{ in } \langle D, X \vee Y \rangle, (d_1 \vee d_2) \vee (x \vee y) \text{ in } \langle D, X \vee Y \rangle$$

By the convexity of  $\langle D, X \vee Y \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 \vee y_1 &\leq (d_1 \vee x_1) \vee (d_2 \vee y_1) \leq (d_1 \vee x) \vee (d_2 \vee y) \\ &= (d_1 \vee d_2) \vee (x \vee y) \end{aligned}$$

Implies  $(d_1 \vee x_1) \vee (d_2 \vee y_1)$  in  $\langle D, X \vee Y \rangle$

Thus  $\langle D, X \vee Y \rangle = \langle D, X \rangle \vee \langle D, Y \rangle$

Hence  $D$  is a distributive convex subsemilattice.

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