

## Equivalent Conditions of Distributive Congruence Lattice

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### Abstract

In this paper, the equivalent conditions of distributive congruence lattice using distributive, dually distributive, congruence homomorphism are established.

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### Introduction

The concept of distributive congruence lattice was discussed by G. Grätzer and E.T. Schmidt in 1958. The distributivity of congruence lattices of lattices has a number of important consequences. B. Johnson [1967] discovered that many of these results hold for arbitrary universal algebras with distributive congruence lattices. A few definitions and results are listed that the equivalent conditions of the distributive congruence lattice using distributive, dually distributive and detail are proved.

#### Definition: 2.1

A congruence lattice  $Con L$  of a lattice is distributive if and only if  $\lambda \vee (\phi \wedge \psi) = (\lambda \vee \phi) \wedge (\lambda \vee \psi)$ , for all  $\phi, \psi$  in  $Con L$  and ' $\lambda$ ' is an element of congruence distributive.

#### Definition: 2.2

A congruence lattice  $Con L$  of a lattice is dually distributive if and only if  $\lambda \wedge (\phi \vee \psi) = (\lambda \wedge \phi) \vee (\lambda \wedge \psi)$ , for all  $\phi, \psi$  in  $Con L$  and ' $\lambda$ ' is an element of dually congruence distributive.

**Definition: 2.3**

A congruence homomorphism  $\varphi$  of the congruence lattice  $ConL$ , for all  $\alpha, \beta$  in  $ConL$  is the map  $\varphi : ConL \rightarrow ConL_1$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned}(\alpha \wedge \beta)\varphi &= \alpha\varphi \wedge \beta\varphi \\ (\alpha \vee \beta)\varphi &= \alpha\varphi \vee \beta\varphi.\end{aligned}$$

**Theorem: 2.1**

Let  $ConL$  be a congruence lattice in a lattice  $L$  and  $D$  denote the set of all distributive congruence element of  $ConL$ . If  $\alpha, \beta$  in  $D$  then  $\alpha \vee \beta$  in  $D$ .

**Proof**

Let  $D$  be the set of all distributive congruence element of  $ConL$

Let  $\alpha, \beta$  in  $D$  and let  $\phi, \psi$  in  $ConL$

$$\begin{aligned}(\alpha \vee \beta) \vee (\phi \wedge \psi) &= \alpha \vee \beta \vee (\phi \wedge \psi) \\ &= \alpha \vee [\beta \vee (\phi \wedge \psi)] \\ &= \alpha \vee [(\beta \vee \phi) \wedge (\beta \vee \psi)], \text{ (since "}\beta\text{" is distributive)} \\ &= [\alpha \vee (\beta \vee \phi)] \wedge [\alpha \vee (\beta \vee \psi)], \text{ (since "}\alpha\text{" is distributive)} \\ &= [(\alpha \vee \beta) \vee \phi] \wedge [(\alpha \vee \beta) \vee \psi]\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\alpha \vee \beta$  in  $D$

**Theorem: 2.2**

Let  $ConL$  be a congruence lattice in a lattice  $L$  and  $D$  denote the set of all dually distributive congruence element of  $ConL$ . If  $\alpha, \beta$  in  $D$  then  $\alpha \wedge \beta$  in  $D$ .

**Proof**

Let  $D$  be the set of all dually distributive congruence element of  $ConL$

Let  $\alpha, \beta$  in  $D$  and let  $\phi, \psi$  in  $ConL$

$$\begin{aligned}(\alpha \wedge \beta) \wedge (\phi \vee \psi) &= \alpha \wedge \beta \wedge (\phi \vee \psi) \\ &= \alpha \wedge [\beta \wedge (\phi \vee \psi)] \\ &= \alpha \wedge [(\beta \wedge \phi) \vee (\beta \wedge \psi)], \text{ (since "}\beta\text{" is dually distributive)} \\ &= [\alpha \wedge (\beta \wedge \phi)] \vee [\alpha \wedge (\beta \wedge \psi)], \text{ (since "}\alpha\text{" is dually distributive)} \\ &= [(\alpha \wedge \beta) \wedge \phi] \vee [(\alpha \wedge \beta) \wedge \psi]\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\alpha \wedge \beta$  in  $D$

**Theorem: 2.3**

Let  $Con L$  be congruence lattice of a lattice  $L$ , then the following conditions on  $Con L$  are equivalent:

1.  $Con L$  is a distributive congruence lattice.
2. The map  $\varphi : \phi \rightarrow \lambda \vee \phi$ , for all  $\phi$  in  $Con L$  is a homomorphism  $Con L$  onto  $[\lambda]$  for any element  $\lambda$  of  $Con L$ .
3. The binary relation  $\Theta_{Con L}$  on  $Con L$  defined by  $\phi \equiv \psi (\Theta_{Con L})$  if and only if  $\phi \vee \lambda = \psi \vee \lambda$ , for some  $\lambda$  in  $Con L$ , where  $\phi, \psi$  in  $Con L$  such that  $\phi \leq \psi$  is a congruence relation.

**Proof**

Let  $Con L$  be congruence lattice in a lattice  $L$ .

Suppose (i) is true, that is,  $Con L$  is a distributive congruence lattice.

**To prove (i):**  $\Rightarrow$  (ii)

Let  $\lambda$  be any element of  $Con L$ .

Define the map  $\varphi : Con L \rightarrow [\lambda]$  by  $\varphi(\phi) = \lambda \vee \phi$ , for all  $\phi$  in  $Con L$

**To prove:**  $\varphi$  is homomorphism

**Claim:**  $\varphi$  is one to one

Let  $\phi, \psi$  in  $Con L$ . Then  $\varphi(\phi) = \varphi(\psi) \Rightarrow \lambda \vee \phi = \lambda \vee \psi \Rightarrow \phi = \psi$

Therefore  $\varphi$  is one to one

**Claim:**  $\varphi$  is onto

Let  $\lambda$  be distributive then there exists  $\mu$  in  $Con L$  such that  $\mu \geq \lambda$ .

Therefore  $\varphi(\mu) = \lambda \vee \mu = \mu$ , since  $\mu \geq \lambda$  Hence  $\varphi$  is onto

**Claim:**  $\varphi$  is homomorphism

Let  $\phi, \psi$  in  $Con L$

Then  $\varphi(\phi) \vee \varphi(\psi) = (\lambda \vee \phi) \vee (\lambda \vee \psi) = \lambda \vee (\phi \vee \psi) = \varphi(\phi \vee \psi)$

And  $\varphi(\phi) \wedge \varphi(\psi) = (\lambda \vee \phi) \wedge (\lambda \vee \psi) = \lambda \vee (\phi \wedge \psi) = \varphi(\phi \wedge \psi)$ .

Hence  $\varphi$  is homomorphism

**To prove (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii)**

Suppose (ii) is true, that is, the map  $\varphi : \phi \rightarrow \lambda \vee \phi$ , for all  $\phi$  in  $Con L$  is a homomorphism  $Con L$  onto  $[\lambda]$

**To prove: (iii)**

**That is to prove:** The binary relation  $\Theta_{ConL}$  on  $ConL$  defined by  $\phi \equiv \psi (\Theta_{ConL})$  if and only if  $\phi \vee \lambda = \psi \vee \lambda$ , for some  $\lambda$  in  $ConL$  is congruence relation.

Let  $\lambda$  be any element of  $ConL$ .

Define the map  $\varphi : ConL \rightarrow [ \lambda )$  by  $\varphi(\phi) = \lambda \vee \phi$ , for all  $\phi$  in  $ConL$

**To prove:**  $\Theta_{ConL}$  is reflexive.

Since  $\varphi(\phi) = \varphi(\psi)$ , for all  $\phi, \psi$  in  $ConL$

By definition of  $\Theta_{ConL}$ ,  $\phi \equiv \psi (\Theta_{ConL})$  if and only if  $\varphi(\phi) = \varphi(\psi)$ , for all  $\phi$  in  $ConL$

$\Rightarrow \phi \vee \lambda = \psi \vee \lambda$ . Thus  $\Theta_{ConL}$  is reflexive.

**To prove:**  $\Theta_{ConL}$  is symmetric.

Suppose  $\phi \equiv \psi (\Theta_{ConL})$ , for all  $\phi, \psi$  in  $ConL$  then  $\varphi(\phi) = \varphi(\psi)$

$\Rightarrow \phi \vee \lambda = \psi \vee \lambda \Rightarrow \psi \vee \lambda = \phi \vee \lambda \Rightarrow \varphi(\psi) = \varphi(\phi) \Rightarrow \psi \equiv \phi (\Theta_{ConL})$

Thus  $\Theta_{ConL}$  is symmetric.

**To prove:**  $\Theta_{ConL}$  is transitive.

Suppose  $\phi \leq \psi \leq \eta$ ,  $\phi \equiv \psi (\Theta_{ConL})$  and,  $\psi \equiv \eta (\Theta_{ConL})$  for all  $\phi, \psi, \eta$  in  $ConL$  then  $\varphi(\phi) = \varphi(\psi)$  and  $\varphi(\psi) = \varphi(\eta) \Rightarrow \phi \vee \lambda = \psi \vee \lambda$  and  $\psi \vee \lambda = \eta \vee \lambda$

$\Rightarrow \phi \vee \lambda = \eta \vee \lambda \Rightarrow \varphi(\phi) = \varphi(\eta) \Rightarrow \phi \equiv \eta (\Theta_{ConL})$

Thus  $\Theta_{ConL}$  is transitive.

**To prove:** Substitution property

Suppose  $\phi \equiv \phi_1 (\Theta_{ConL})$  and  $\psi \equiv \psi_1 (\Theta_{ConL})$ , for all  $\phi, \psi$  in  $ConL$

Then  $\phi \vee \lambda = \phi_1 \vee \lambda$  and  $\psi \vee \lambda = \psi_1 \vee \lambda \Rightarrow \varphi(\phi) = \varphi(\phi_1)$  and  $\varphi(\psi) = \varphi(\psi_1)$

Now  $\varphi(\phi \vee \psi) = \varphi(\phi) \vee \varphi(\psi)$ , (since " $\varphi$ " is homomorphism)

$= (\phi \vee \lambda) \vee (\psi \vee \lambda) = (\phi_1 \vee \lambda) \vee (\psi_1 \vee \lambda) = \varphi(\phi_1) \vee \varphi(\psi_1) = \varphi(\phi_1 \vee \psi_1)$

Therefore  $\varphi(\phi \vee \psi) = \varphi(\phi_1 \vee \psi_1)$

Hence  $(\phi \vee \psi) \equiv (\phi_1 \vee \psi_1) (\Theta_{ConL})$

And  $\varphi(\phi \wedge \psi) = \varphi(\phi) \wedge \varphi(\psi)$ , (since " $\varphi$ " is homomorphism)

$$= (\phi \vee \lambda) \wedge (\psi \vee \lambda) = (\phi_1 \vee \lambda) \wedge (\psi_1 \vee \lambda) = \varphi(\phi_1 \wedge \psi_1)$$

$$\text{Therefore } \varphi(\phi \wedge \psi) = \varphi(\phi_1 \wedge \psi_1)$$

$$\text{Hence } (\phi \wedge \psi) \equiv (\phi_1 \wedge \psi_1) (\Theta_{ConL})$$

Therefore  $\Theta_{ConL}$  satisfies the substitution property.

Hence  $\Theta_{ConL}$  is a congruence relation.

**To prove (iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i)**

Suppose (iii) is true, that is, The binary relation  $\Theta_{ConL}$  on  $ConL$  defined by  $\phi \equiv \psi (\Theta_{ConL})$  if and only if  $\phi \vee \lambda = \psi \vee \lambda$ , for some  $\lambda$  in  $ConL$  is congruence relation.

**To prove: (i)**

That is to prove:  $ConL$  is distributive congruence lattice

Let  $\phi, \psi$  in  $ConL$  and  $\lambda$  be a distributive element of  $ConL$

**Enough to prove:**  $\lambda \vee (\phi \wedge \psi) = (\lambda \vee \phi) \wedge (\lambda \vee \psi)$ , where  $\lambda$  is a distributive element .

Here  $\Theta_{ConL}$  is defined by  $\phi \equiv \psi (\Theta_{ConL})$

$$\Rightarrow (\phi \wedge \psi) \vee \lambda = (\phi \vee \psi), \text{ for some } \lambda \text{ in } ConL$$

$$\Rightarrow (\phi \wedge \psi) \vee \lambda_1 = (\phi \vee \psi), \text{ for some } \lambda_1 \leq \lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow (\phi \wedge \psi) \vee \lambda = (\phi \vee \psi), \text{ in particular } \lambda_1 = \lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow [(\phi \wedge (\lambda \vee \phi))] \vee \lambda = \phi \vee (\lambda \vee \phi), \text{ where } \psi = \lambda \vee \phi$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda \vee \phi) \vee \lambda = (\lambda \vee \phi),$$

Therefore  $\phi \equiv (\lambda \vee \phi) (\Theta_{ConL})$

And  $\phi \equiv \psi (\Theta_{ConL}) \Rightarrow (\phi \wedge \psi) \vee \lambda = (\phi \vee \psi)$ , for some  $\lambda$  in  $ConL$

$$\Rightarrow (\phi \wedge \psi) \vee \lambda_1 = (\phi \vee \psi), \text{ for some } \lambda_1 \leq \lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow (\phi \wedge \psi) \vee \lambda = (\phi \vee \psi), \text{ in particular } \lambda_1 = \lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow [(\lambda \vee \psi) \wedge \psi] \vee \lambda = (\lambda \vee \psi) \vee \psi, \text{ where } \phi = \lambda \vee \psi$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda \vee \psi) \vee \lambda = (\lambda \vee \psi),$$

Therefore  $\psi \equiv (\lambda \vee \psi) (\Theta_{ConL})$

Therefore  $\phi \wedge \psi \equiv (\lambda \vee \phi) \wedge (\lambda \vee \psi) (\Theta_{ConL})$

By the definition of  $\Theta_{ConL}$ ,

$$\lambda \vee [(\phi \wedge \psi) \wedge (\lambda \vee \phi) \wedge (\lambda \vee \psi)] = (\phi \wedge \psi) \vee [(\lambda \vee \phi) \wedge (\lambda \vee \psi)]$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda \vee (\phi \wedge \psi) = \lambda \vee [(\lambda \vee \phi) \wedge (\lambda \vee \psi)]$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda \vee (\phi \wedge \psi) = (\lambda \vee \phi) \wedge (\lambda \vee \psi)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda \text{ is distributive congruence lattice.}$$

Hence  $Con L$  is distributive congruence lattice.

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