

# **CHAPTER-1**

## **PROPERTIES OF** **0-DISTRIBUTIVE LATTICES**

## Chapter 1

## Properties of 0-Distributive Lattices

As 0-distributive lattices are the generalization of distributive lattices and pseudo-complemented lattices they have many interesting properties. In this chapter we discuss some properties of 0-distributive lattices.

## § 1 Examples

## Example of 0-distributive lattice.

e.g Consider the lattice  $L = \{ 0, a, b, c, 1 \}$  whose diagrammatic representation is as shown in Fig. 1.1.

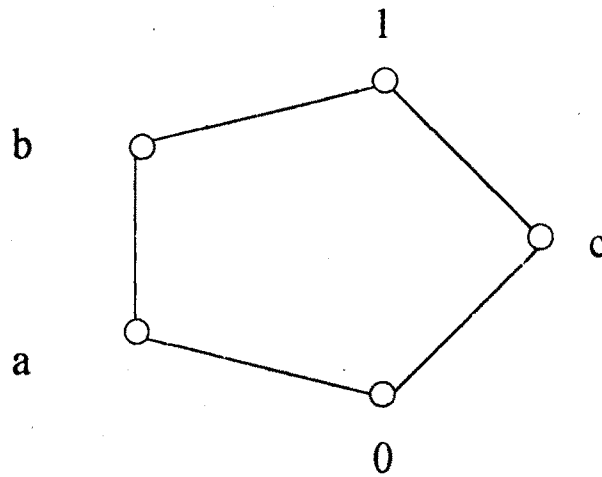


Fig.1.1

This Lattice is 0-distributive lattice.

**Example of not 0-distributive lattice.**

e.g Consider the lattice  $L = \{ 0 , a , b , c , 1 \}$  whose diagrammatic representation is as shown in Fig. 1.2.

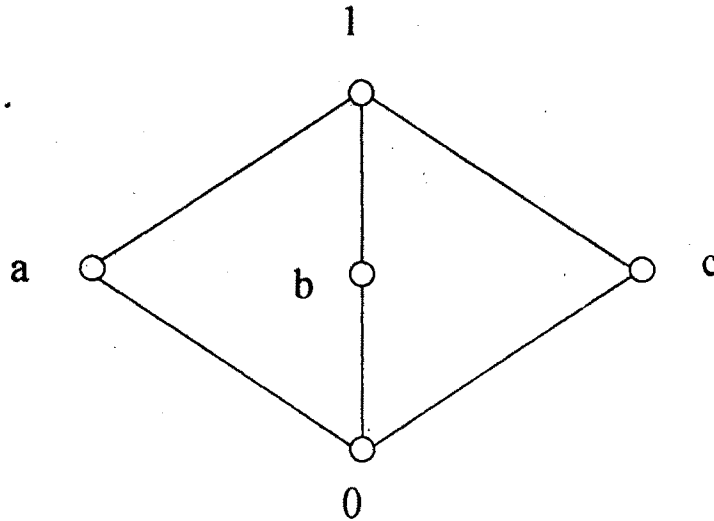


Fig.1.2

This lattice is not 0-distributive, because  $a \wedge b = 0$ ,  $a \wedge c = 0$

but  $a \wedge (b \vee c) \neq 0$ .

**Example of 0-distributive and 1-distributive lattice.**

e.g Consider the lattice  $L = \{ 0, a, b, c, d, e, f, 1 \}$  whose diagrammatic representation is as shown in Fig. 1.3.

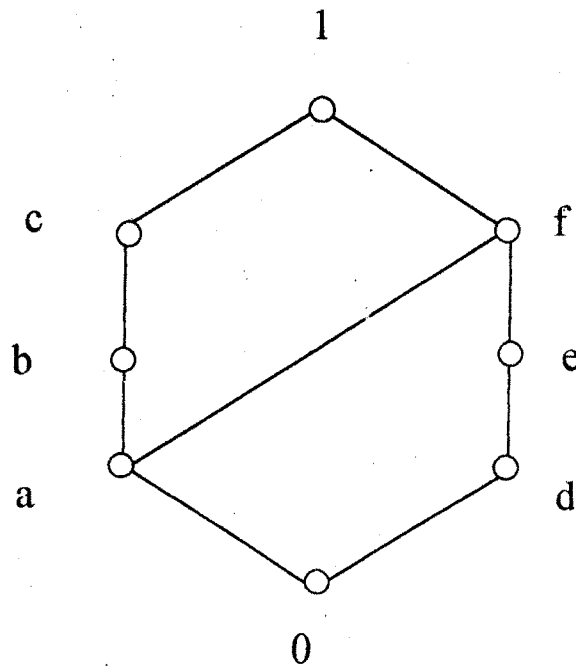


Fig.1.3

This lattice is 0-1 distributive lattice but not complement lattice as the element  $a$  in  $L$  has no complement.

**Example of 0-distributive but not 1-distributive lattice.**

e.g Consider the lattice  $L = \{ 0, a, b, c, d, e, 1 \}$  whose diagrammatic representation is as shown in Fig. 1.4.

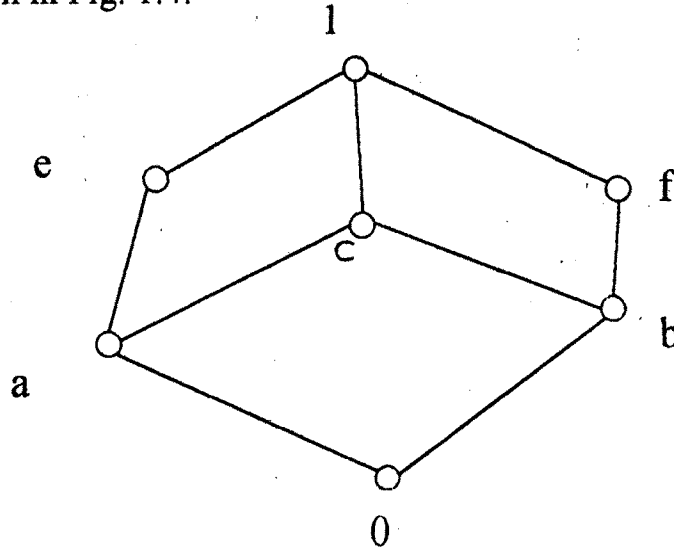


Fig.1.4

This lattice is 0-distributive lattice but not 1-distributive lattice.

**Example of 0-distributive but not distributive lattice.**

e.g Consider the lattice  $L = \{ 0, a, b, c, d, 1 \}$  whose diagrammatic representation is as shown in Fig. 1.5.

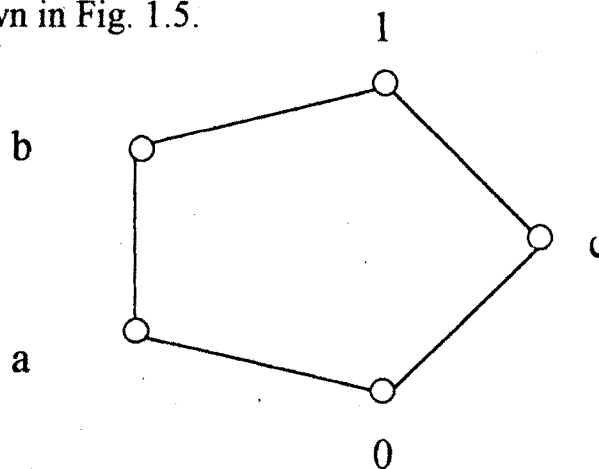


Fig.1.5

This lattice is 0-distributive lattice but distributive lattice.

**Example of 1-distributive but not 0-distributive lattice.**

e.g Consider the lattice  $L = \{ 0, a, b, c, d, e, f, 1 \}$  whose diagrammatic representation is as shown in Fig. 1.6.

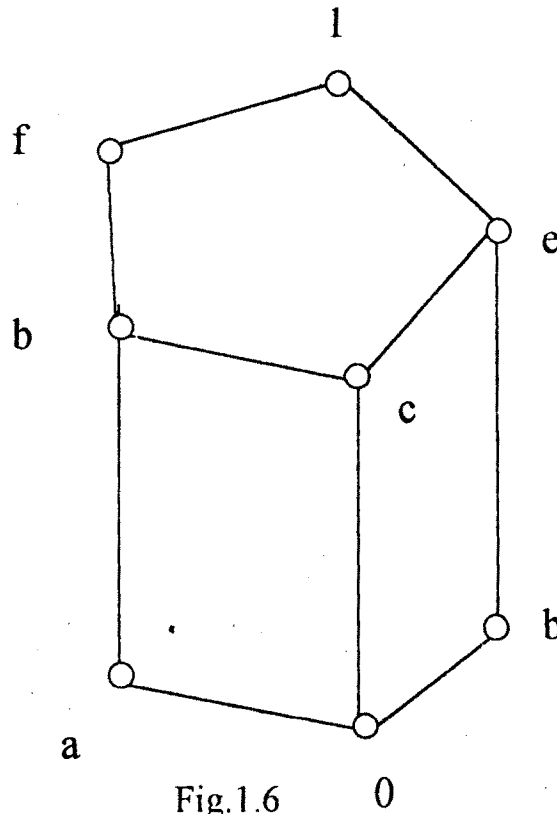


Fig.1.6

This lattice is 1-distributive lattice but 0-distributive lattice.

**Example of 0-distributive but <sup>not</sup> pseudo-complemented lattice.**

e.g Let  $L = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup \{0, 1\}$  where  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are two infinite chains without least and greatest elements. Define an ordering as follows. For all  $c_1 \in C_1$  and  $c_2 \in C_2$ ,  $c_1 \parallel c_2$ ,  $0 < c_1 < 1$  and  $0 < c_2 < 1$ . Clearly  $L$  is 0 and 1 distributive lattice. But neither distributive not pseudo-complemented.

## § 2 Some Properties of 0-Distributive Lattices.

In this article we prove some properties of 0-distributive lattices which will be used in characterizing them.

**Result 1.2.1** - Let  $a, a_1, \dots, a_n$  be elements of 0-distributive lattice  $L$  such that

$$a \wedge a_1 = \dots = a \wedge a_n = 0. \text{ Then } a \wedge (a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_n) = 0.$$

**Proof:-** since  $L$  is 0-distributive  $a \wedge a_1 = 0, a \wedge a_2 = 0$  implies

$$a \wedge (a_1 \vee a_2) = 0.$$

Assume  $a \wedge (a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_{k-1}) = 0$  for  $2 < k < n$ .

$$\text{Then } a \wedge [(a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_{k-1}) \vee a_k] = a \wedge (b \vee a_k)$$

$$\text{where } b = a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_{k-1}.$$

By induction hypothesis  $a \wedge b = 0$ . Also  $a \wedge a_k = 0$ .

Hence  $a \wedge (b \vee a_k) = 0$  as  $L$  is 0-distributive.

i.e.  $a \wedge [(a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_{k-1}) \vee a_k] = 0$ . Thus theorem is follows by induction.

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Relation between 0-distributive and pseudo-complemented lattice is given in the following theorem [9].

**Result 1.2.2-** Any pseudo-complemented lattice is 0-distributive.

**Proof:-** Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented lattice and  $a, b, c \in L$  such that  $a \wedge b = 0$  and  $a \wedge c = 0$ .

Then  $b \leq a^*$  and  $c \leq a^*$ . Hence  $b \vee c \leq a^*$ .

It follows that  $a \wedge (b \vee c) = 0$ . Thus  $L$  is 0-distributive.

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Though every 0-distributive lattice need not be pseudo-complemented. (See example in chapter 1) [9].

In particular we have

**Result 1.2.3-** Any finite 0-distributive lattice pseudocomplemented.

**Proof:-** Let  $L$  be a finite 0-distributive lattice and  $a \in L$ . Since  $L$  is finite. Hence  $(a)^*$  is finite. Let  $(a)^* = \{ a_1 \dots a_n \}$  and  $b = ( a_1 \vee \dots \vee a_n )$ . By theorem 1.2.1  $b$  is the pseudocomplement of  $a$ . This shows that  $L$  is pseudocomplemented lattice.

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**Remark:** Dualizing Theorems 1.2.1, 1.2.2 and 1.2.3 we get corresponding theorems for 1-distributive [9].

**Result 1.2.4-** Let  $L$  be a 0-distributive lattice. Then  $F^\circ$  is an ideal for any filter  $F$  in  $L$ .

**Proof:-** Let  $L$  be a 0-distributive lattice.



We have to prove  $F^\circ$  is an ideal for any filter  $F$  in  $L$ .

(i) As  $0 \wedge f = 0$ , for each  $f \in F$  we get  $0 \in F^\circ$ .

Hence  $F^\circ \neq \phi$ .

(ii) Let  $x, y \in F^\circ$ . To prove  $x \vee y \in F^\circ$ .

As  $x, y \in F^\circ$  we get

$x \wedge f_1 = 0$  for some  $f_1 \in F$  and  $x \wedge f_2 = 0$ , for some  $f_2 \in F$ .

We get  $x \wedge (f_1 \wedge f_2) = 0$  and  $y \wedge (f_1 \wedge f_2) = 0$  for  $(f_1 \wedge f_2) \in F$ .

(Since  $F$  is a filter  $f_1, f_2 \in F$  imply  $f_1 \wedge f_2 \in F$ ).

But as  $L$  is 0-distributive. We get  $(x \vee y) \wedge (f_1 \wedge f_2) = 0$ .

This shows that  $x \vee y \in F^\circ$ .

(iii) As  $x \leq y$ ,  $x \in L$  and  $y \in F^\circ$ .

We prove that  $x \in F^\circ$ .

As  $y \in F^\circ$  implies that  $y \wedge f = 0$  for some  $f \in F$ .

$x \leq y$  imply  $x \wedge f \leq y \wedge f$ .

Then  $x \wedge f = 0$  for some  $f \in F$ .

It implies that  $x \in F^\circ$ .

From (i), (ii) and (iii) we get

$F^\circ$  is an ideal for any filter  $F$  in  $L$ .



**Result 1.2.4-** In 0-distributive lattice,  $F^\circ$  is an semi-prime ideal for any filter  $F$  in  $L$  [3].

**Proof:-** Let  $L$  be a 0-distributive lattice.

We have to prove  $F^\circ$  is a semi-prime ideal for any filter  $F$  in  $L$ .

By Result 1.2.3,  $F^\circ$  is an ideal for any filter  $F$  in  $L$ .

We have to prove  $F^\circ$  is semi-primness.

Let  $a \wedge b \in F^\circ$  and  $a \wedge c \in F^\circ$  for  $a, b, c \in L$ .

Then  $a \wedge b \wedge x = 0$  and  $a \wedge c \wedge y = 0$  for some  $x, y$  in  $L$ .

But then  $a \wedge (x \wedge y) \wedge b = 0$  and  $a \wedge (x \wedge y) \wedge c = 0$ .

As  $L$  is 0-distributive we get  $(a \wedge x \wedge y) \wedge (b \vee c) = 0$ .

This shows that  $a \wedge (b \vee c) \in F^\circ$ .

Hence  $F^\circ$  is a semi-prime ideal in  $L$ .

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**Result 1.2.5-**  $L$  is a 0-distributive lattice iff every maximal filter in  $L$  is prime [6].

**Proof:-** Let  $L$  be 0-distributive lattice.

Let  $M$  be a maximal filter of  $L$ .

We have to prove that  $M$  is a prime filter.

Assume  $x \vee y \in M$  with  $x \notin M$  and  $y \notin M$ .

Then  $0 \in M \vee [x]$  implies  $x \wedge m_1 = 0$  for some  $m_1 \in M$  and  $y \notin M$  then  $0 \in M \vee [y]$  implies  $y \wedge m_2 = 0$  for some  $m_2 \in M$ .

But then  $x \wedge (m_1 \wedge m_2) = 0$  and  $y \wedge (m_1 \wedge m_2) = 0$ .

Thus we get  $(x \vee y) \wedge (m_1 \wedge m_2) = 0$  as  $L$  is 0-distributive.

As  $m_1 \wedge m_2 \in M$  and  $x \vee y \in M$  we get

$(x \vee y) \wedge (m_1 \wedge m_2) \in M$ .

i.e.  $0 \in M$ ; a contradiction.

Hence  $x \vee y \in M$  implies  $x \in M$  or  $y \in M$ .

Thus  $M$  is a prime filter.

Conversely, assume that every maximal filter in  $L$  is prime.

We have to prove  $L$  is a 0-distributive lattice.

As  $x \wedge y = 0$  and  $x \wedge z = 0$ .

Let if possible  $x \wedge (y \vee z) \neq 0$ .

Consider  $[x \wedge (y \vee z)]$ .

This is a proper filter of  $L$ .

By Result 0.2.1, there exists maximal filter  $M$  such that  $x \wedge (y \vee z) \in M$ .

By assumption,  $M$  is a prime filter.

$x \wedge (y \vee z) \in M$  implies  $x \in M$  and  $y \vee z \in M$ . (since  $F$  is filter iff  $x \wedge y \in F \Leftrightarrow x \in M$  and  $y \in M$ ).

Then  $x \in M$  and  $(y \in M \text{ or } z \in M)$ . (since  $M$  is prime).

i.e.  $x \in M$  and  $y \in M$  or  $x \in M$  and  $z \in M$ .

we get  $x \wedge y \in M$  or  $x \wedge z \in M$ .

Thus  $0 \in M$ ; a contradiction.

Therefore  $x \wedge y = 0$ ,  $x \wedge z = 0$  implies  $x \wedge (y \vee z) = 0$ .

Hence  $L$  is 0-distributive lattice.



**Result 1.2.6-**  $L$  is a 0-distributive lattice iff  $\{x^*\}$  is an ideal for any  $x$  in  $L$ .

**Proof:- Only if part**

Let  $L$  be a 0-distributive lattice.

We have to prove  $\{x^*\}$  is an ideal for any  $x$  in  $L$ .

(i) As  $0 \wedge x = 0$ , for each  $x \in L$  we get,  $0 \in \{x^*\}$ .

Hence  $\{x^*\} \neq \phi$ .

(ii) Let  $y, z \in \{x^*\}$ . To prove  $y \vee z \in \{x^*\}$ .

As  $y, z \in \{x^*\}$  we get  $x \wedge y = 0$  and  $x \wedge z = 0$ .

But as  $L$  is 0-distributive.

We get  $x \wedge (y \vee z) = 0$ .

This shows that  $y \vee z \in \{x^*\}$ .

(iii) As  $y \leq z$ ,  $y \in L$  and  $z \in \{x^*\}$ .

We prove that  $y \in \{x^*\}$ .

As  $z \in \{x^*\}$  implies that  $x \wedge z = 0$ .

$y \leq z$  imply  $x \wedge y \leq x \wedge z$ .

Then  $x \wedge y = 0$ .

This implies that  $y \in \{x^*\}$ .

From (i), (ii) and (iii) we get  $\{x^*\}$  is an ideal for any  $x$  in  $L$ .

**If part**

Let  $\{x^*\}$  be an ideal for any  $x$  in  $L$ .

We have to prove  $L$  is 0-distributive lattice.

As  $x \wedge y = 0$  and  $x \wedge z = 0$ .

This implies  $y, z \in \{x^*\}$ .

As  $\{x^*\}$  is an ideal for any  $x$  in  $L$  we get  $y \vee z \in \{x^*\}$ .

Therefore  $x \wedge (y \vee z) = 0$ .

Hence  $L$  is 0-distributive lattice.

