

Galois Connections in Orders, Logic, and Quantum Mechanics

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Galois Connections in Order Theory



Sets With Partial Orderings

DEFINITION [1]: A **partially ordered set (poset)** is a set P together with a binary relation $(\leq) \subseteq P \times P$ such that the following properties are satisfied.

1. **Reflexivity:** for all $x \in P$, $x \leq x$.
2. **Antisymmetry:** for all $x, y \in P$, if $x \leq y$ and $y \leq x$, then $x = y$.
3. **Transitivity:** for all $x, y, z \in P$, if $x \leq y$ and $y \leq z$, then $x \leq z$.

EXAMPLE [1]: The following are partially ordered sets.

1. *The real numbers ordered by the standard less-than-or-equal operation forms a poset (\mathbb{R}, \leq) .*
2. *If X is an arbitrary set, then $(\mathcal{P}(X), \subseteq)$ forms a poset.*

Posets With Lattice Structure

DEFINITION [2]: A **complete lattice** is a poset (P, \leq) such that every subset $S \subseteq P$ has a least upper bound denoted $\bigvee S$ (the **meet** of S) and a greatest lower bound $\bigwedge S$ (the **join** of S).

EXAMPLE [2]: Do (\mathbb{R}, \leq) and $(\mathcal{P}(X), \subseteq)$ form complete lattices?

1. *(Sketch). We know from analysis that every bounded set $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ has an infimum (a meet) and a supremum (a join). However, not all sets in \mathbb{R} are bounded. To correct this we require the extended reals $\mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\}$.*
2. *(Sketch). Let $S \in \mathcal{P}(X)$. Then $\bigwedge S$ is intersection and $\bigvee S$ is union. It follows from set theory that $\bigwedge S$ is a greatest lower bound and $\bigvee S$ is a least upper bound. This is well defined since $\emptyset \in \mathcal{P}(X)$ and $X \in \mathcal{P}(X)$.*

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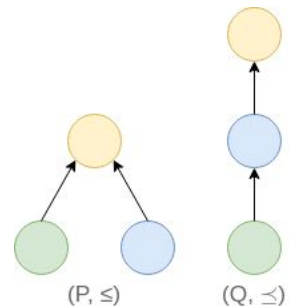
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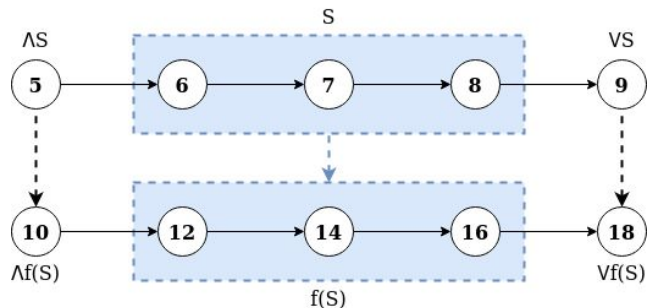
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The preceding adjectives also apply to functions on lattices. A (dual) **isomorphism of lattices** is a (dual) isomorphism of posets that also respects meets and joins. Formally, if (P, \leq) and (Q, \leq) are lattices and $f: P \rightarrow Q$, then f preserves meets if $f(\wedge S) = \wedge f(S)$ for all $S \in P$, and f preserves joins if $f(\vee S) = \vee f(S)$ for all $S \in P$.



Closure Operators in Order Theory

DEFINITION [4]: Let (P, \leq) be a poset. If $f: P \rightarrow P$ is an isotone, extensive, and idempotent function, then f is called a **closure map** on (P, \leq) .

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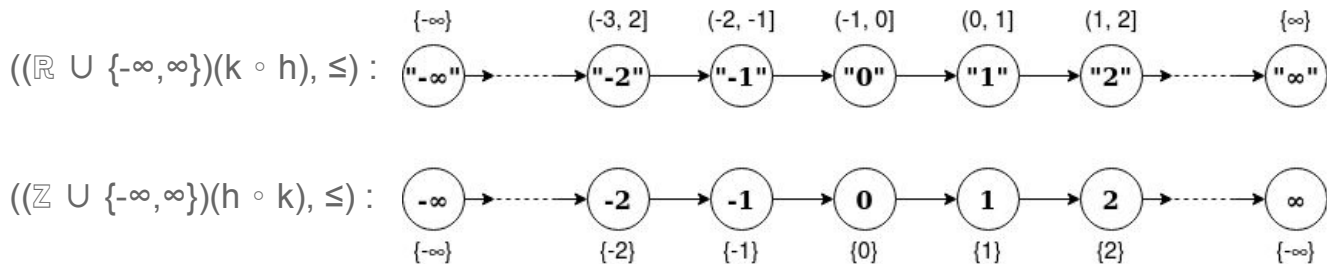
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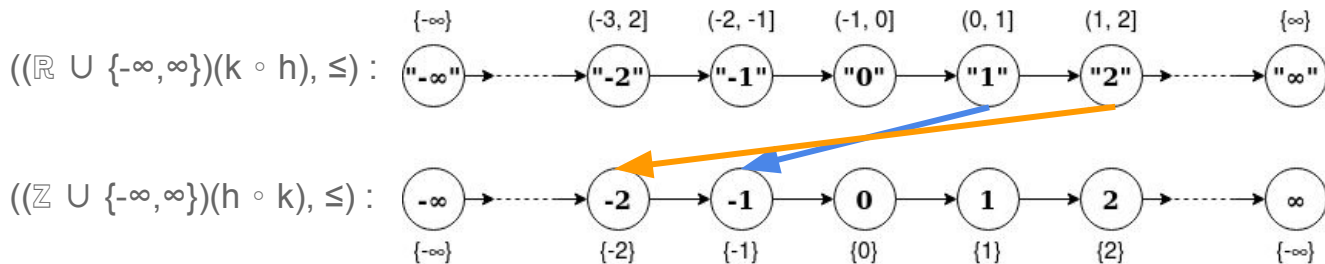
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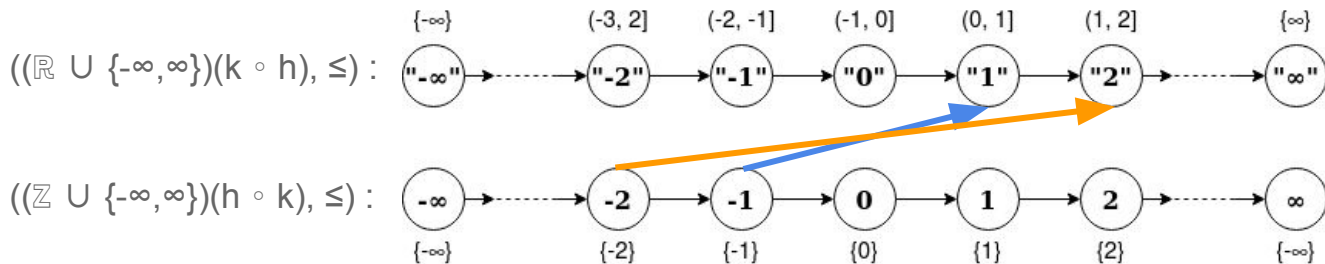
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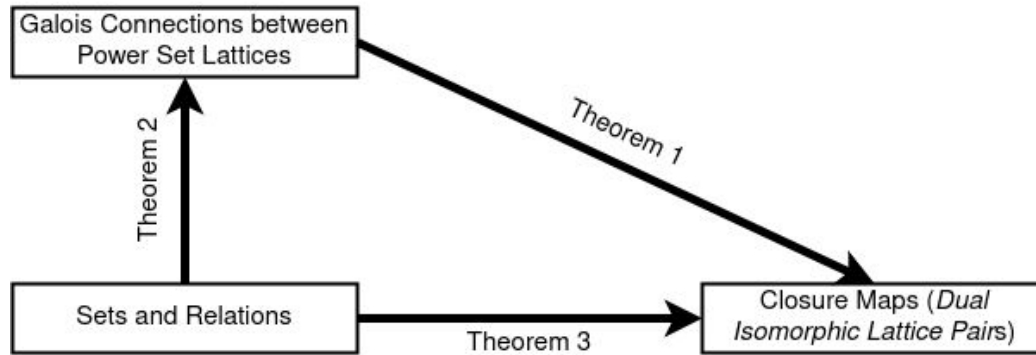
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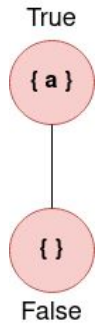
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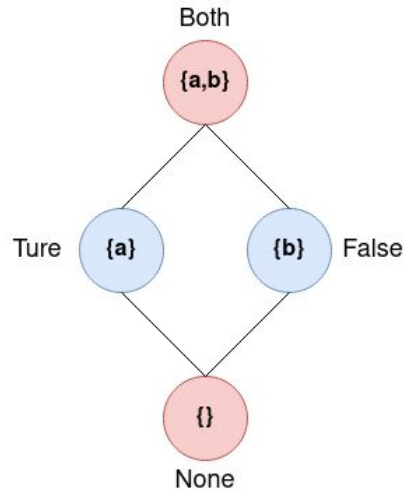
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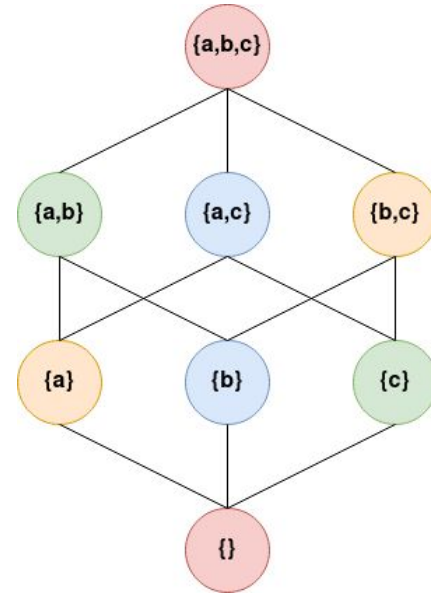
Power Set Lattices As 2^N -Valued Logic



Classical Logic



Reasoning with Contradictory Data



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Quantum Logic and Lattices

In quantum logic we consider a complete lattice (L, \leq) of **observable events** and a set $S \subseteq [0, 1]^L$ of (typically pure) **states**. Then $(\mathcal{P}(S), \subseteq)$ is a lattice of mixed states and $(\mathcal{P}(L), \subseteq)$ is a lattice of conjunctions of events.

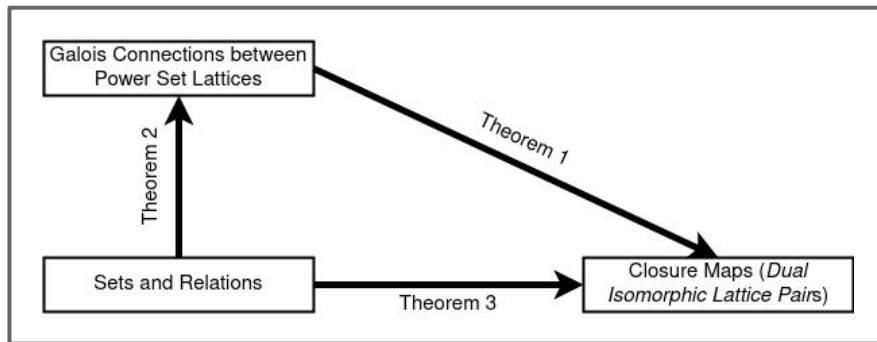
The relation R from S to L such that $\sigma R a$ if and only if $\sigma(a) = 1$ is used to determine observations that are made certain by σ . The closure map induced by R is related to **superposition**, and is be used to study **inaccessibility**.

At the time that [*Butterfield and Melia 1993*] was written, there was question as to the utility of **Birkhoff-von Neumann quantum logic**. This paper looked to decompose quantum logic into a hierarchy of assumptions, and to determined (through Galois Connections) what could be deduced under each collection of assumptions.

Birkhoff-von Neumann quantum logic has since been abandoned for a new account logical account of quantum mechanics based upon ***-autonomous categories** (i.e., linear logic).

Conclusion and Summary

- Galois correspondences generalize to order-theory and induce topological structures on the lattices.
- In the special case of power set lattices, relations give rise to both Galois Connections and closures
- Logic and logical relations can be understood as lattices with special structure
- Problems in quantum logic can be reframed as constructing Galois Connections between lattices.



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