

Congruence Lattices of Uniform Lattices

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1.1 INTRODUCTION

In this chapter we prove that every finite distributive lattice D can be represented as the congruence lattice of finite uniform lattice L . Infact we prove that “For any finite distributive lattice D , there exists a finite uniform lattice L such that the congruence lattice of L is isomorphic to D , and L satisfies the properties (P) and (Q) where

(P) Every join-irreducible congruence of L

we introduce a very simple kind of chopped lattices.

we prove that the ideal lattice of this chopped lattice is uniform.

is of the form $q(0, p)$, for a suitable atom p of L .

(Q) If $q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n \in J$
(ConL)

are pairwise incomparable, then L contains atoms p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n that generate an ideal isomorphic to B_n and satisfy $q_i = q(0, p_i)$, for all $i \in n$.

To prove this result, we introduce a new lattice construction which is described. Then we find the congruences on this new lattice

NOTATION:

B_n will denote the Boolean algebra with 2^n elements. For a bounded lattice A with bounds 0 and

1 , A^- will denote the lattice $A - \{0, 1\}$

We start with the definition of uniform

lattices.

PROOF OF THE MAIN RESULT

THEOREM : 1.2

For any finite distributive lattice D , there exists a finite uniform lattice L such that the congruence lattice of L is isomorphic to D and L satisfies the properties (P) and (Q) where

(P) : Every join-irreducible congruence of

L is of the form $q(0,p)$, for a suitable atom p of L .

(Q) : If $q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n \in J(\text{Con}L)$ are pairwise incomparable, then L contains atoms p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n that generate an ideal isomorphic to B_n and satisfy $q_i = q(0, p_i)$, for all $i \in n$.

Proof :-

We prove the result using induction on n , where n is the number of join-irreducible elements.

Let D be a finite distributive lattice with n join-irreducible elements.

If $n = 1$, then $D \cong B_1$, so there is a lattice

$L = B_1$ that satisfies the theorem 1.2.

Let us assume that, for all finite distributive lattices with fewer than n join-irreducible elements, there exists a lattice L satisfying theorem 2.6.1 and properties (P) and (Q).

Assume that D has n join-irreducible elements.

Let q be a minimal element of $J(D)$.

Let $q_1, q_2, \dots, q_k (k \geq 0)$ be all upper bounds of q in $J(D)$.

Let D_1 be a distributive lattice with

$J(D_1) = J(D) - \{q\}$.

By induction assumption there exists a lattice L_1 satisfying $\text{Con } L_1 \leq D_1$ and (P) and (Q).

If $k = 0$, then $D \cong B_1 \times D_1$ and $L = B_1 \times L_1$,

obviously satisfies all the requirements of the theorem and so the proof is over.

So, assume $k \geq 1$

The congruences of L_1 corresponding to the q_i 's are pairwise incomparable and therefore can be written in the form $q(0, p_i)$ and the p_i 's generate an ideal I_1 isomorphic to B_k .

The lattice $N(B_2, B_k)$ also contains an ideal $(B_k)^*$ isomorphic to B_k .

Identifying I_1 and $(B_k)^*$, We get the chopped lattice K and the lattice $L = \text{Id}K$.

By lemma $\text{Id}K$ is

uniform. That is L is

uniform.

Let q be a join-irreducible congruence of L .

Then we can write q as $q(a, b)$ where a is

covered by b .

By lemma., it follows that we can assume that either $a, b \in L_1$, or $a, b \in N(B_2, B_k)$

In either case, there exists an atom q in L_1 or q in $N(B_2, B_k)$ so that

$q(a, b) = q(0, q)$ in L_1 or $q(a, b) = q(0, q)$ in $N(B_2, B_k)$.

Obviously, q is an atom of L and $q(a, b) = q(0, q)$ in L verifying (P) for L .

Let q_1, q_2, \dots, q_t be pairwise in-comparable
join-irreducible congruences of L .

To verify condition (Q), we have to
find atoms p_1, p_2, \dots, p_t of L satisfying $q_i =$
 $q(0, p_i)$ for all $i \in t$ and such that p_1, p_2, \dots, p_t
generate an ideal of L isomorphic to B_t .

Let p denote an atom in $N(B_2, B_k) -$
 I_1

Infact, there are two atoms but they
generate the same congruence $q(0, p)$.

If $q(0, p)$ is not one of
 q_1, q_2, \dots, q_t

then clearly we can find

p_1, p_2, \dots, p_t in L_1 as required and
 $p_1, p_2,$

\dots, p_t also serves in L .

If $q(0, p)$ is one of q_1, q_2, \dots, q_t say
 $q(0, p) = q_t$, then let p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{t-1} be the
set of atoms establishing (Q) for
 q_1, q_2, \dots, q_{t-1} in L_1 and therefore in L .

Then $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{t-1}, p$ represent
the

congruences q_1, q_2, \dots, q_t and they
generate an ideal isomorphic to B_t by
lemma .

Therefore L satisfies (Q).

It is clear from this discussion that
 $J(\text{Con}K)$ has exactly one more element than
 $J(\text{Con}L_1)$, namely, $q(0, p)$.

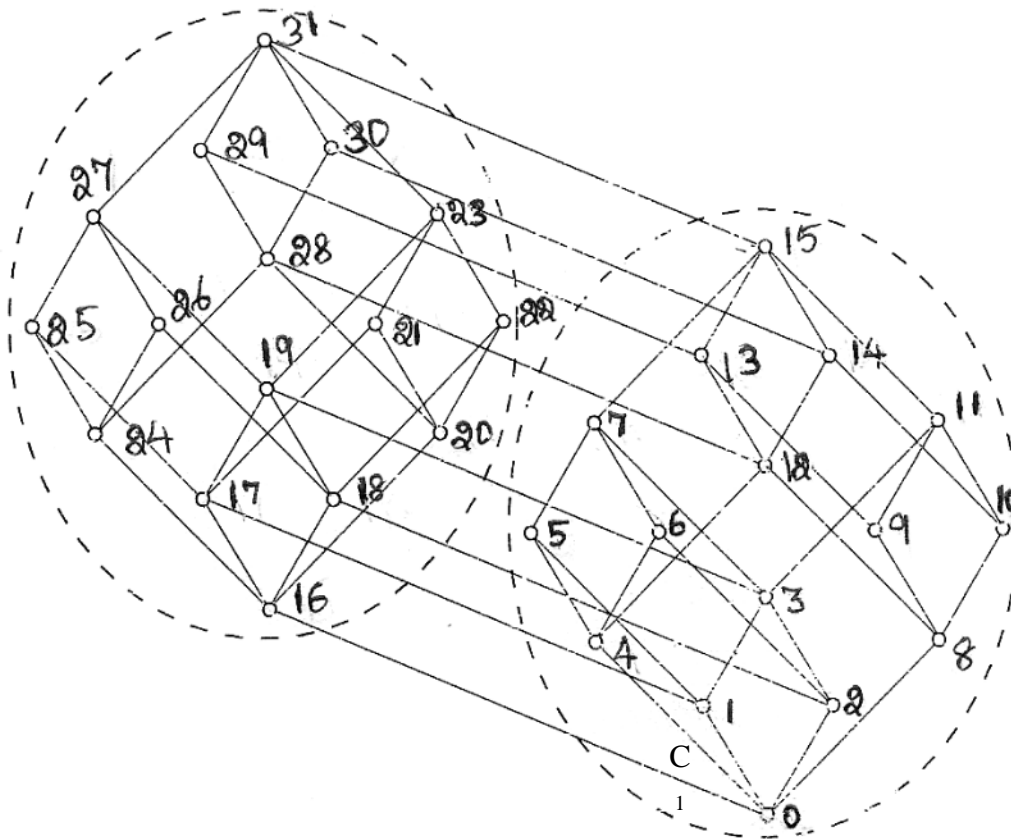
This join-irreducible congruence
relates to the join-irreducible congruences
of $\text{Con}L$, exactly as q relates to the join-
irreducible elements of D .

Therefore $D @ \text{Con}L$.

Hence the theorem.

EXAMPLE :

The uniform construction for
the four-element chain is



has 8 blocks.

This lattice has four
congruences. C_0 has 32 blocks.
 C_0 is a null congruence

$C_1 = \{\{0,1,2,3\}, \{4,5,6,7\}, \{8,9,10,11\}, \{12,13,14,15\}, \{16,17,18,19\}, \{20,21,22,23\}, \{24,25,26,27\}, \{28,29,30,31\}\}$.

C_2 has 2 blocks.

$C_2 = \{ \{0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,$

$12,13,14,15\}, \{16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24,$

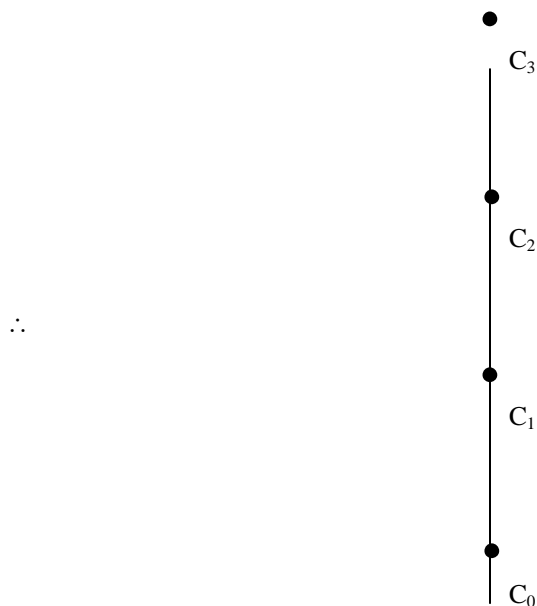
$25,26,27,28,29,30,31\} \}$.

C_3 has 1 block.

C_3 is all

congruence.

The congruence lattice of this lattice is



Every finite distributive lattice D can be represented as the congruence lattice of a finite uniform lattice L .

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