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NOTES ON LATTICES OF FRAME TOLERANCES

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DEFINITIONS

By a frame we mean a complete lattice that satisfies the Join Infinite Distributive Identity $a \wedge \bigvee_{i \in I} b_i = \bigvee_{i \in I} (a \wedge b_i)$. By a lattice tolerance on a lattice (or on a frame) we mean a reflexive and symmetric relation on its support compatible with finite meets and joins. By a frame tolerance on a frame we mean a lattice tolerance that is compatible with arbitrary joins. Congruences are transitive tolerances. A mapping α of a frame L into itself is extensive if $(\forall x \in L) x \leq \alpha(x)$, and idempotent if $(\forall x \in L) \alpha(\alpha(x)) = \alpha(x)$. The greatest element in $\{z \in L \mid x \wedge z = 0\}$, if it exists, is called the pseudocomplement of the element x and will be denoted by x^* . Elements being pseudocomplements of some elements are called skeletal. By a relative pseudocomplement of an element x with respect to the element y we mean the pseudocomplement of $x \in A$. It will be denoted $x^*(y)$. We shall assume only the case $y \in A$.

PSEUDOCOMPLEMENTS IN LATTICES OF LATTICE TOLERANCES

Skeletal elements and relative pseudocomplements of tolerances with respect to congruences in lattices of lattice tolerances were studied in [3] and [1]. Since the transitive hull $\mathbf{C}(T)$ of a lattice tolerance T is a lattice congruence (cf. [5]), and the operator \mathbf{C} is a supremum-complete lattice homomorphism of $\mathbf{Tol}(L)$ onto $\mathbf{Con}(L)$ (cf. [2]) we obtain that the studied elements in $\mathbf{Tol}(L)$ are identical with those in $\mathbf{Con}(L)$.

1. Theorem. Let L be a lattice. Relative pseudocomplement of a lattice tolerance T with respect to a lattice congruence U in the lattice Tol(L) always exists and is identical with the relative pseudocomplement of C(T) in the lattice Con(L).

Proof. We know that $\mathbf{Con}(L)$ is distributive and compactly generated. It follows that it is relatively pseudocomplemented. $\mathbf{C}(T)^{*\mathbf{Con}}(U) = \bigvee \{Y \in \mathbf{Con}(L) \mid Y \land \mathbf{C}(T) = U\}$. In both $\mathbf{Tol}(L)$ and $\mathbf{Con}(L)$, meets coincide with set-theoretical intersection. Let T be a lattice tolerance and U a lattice congruence on L such that

 $U \subseteq T$. Then

$$U \subseteq T \wedge \mathbf{C}(T)^{*\text{Con}}(U) \subseteq \mathbf{C}(T) \wedge \mathbf{C}(T)^{*\text{Con}}(U) = U.$$

Hence $T \wedge \mathbf{C}(T)^{*\mathbf{Con}}(U) = U$. Let S be a lattice tolerance such that $T \wedge S = U$. Then $U = \mathbf{C}(U) = \mathbf{C}(T \wedge S) = \mathbf{C}(T) \wedge \mathbf{C}(S)$, and we may conclude $S \subseteq \mathbf{C}(S) \subseteq \mathbf{C}(T)^{*\mathbf{Con}}(U)$. Q.E.D.

As corollaries, we obtain results already known (cf. [3]):

- **2.** Corollary. For any lattice L, the pseudocomplement of a lattice tolerance T in Tol(L) is identical with the pseudocomplement of the congruence C(T) in Con(L).
- **3. Corollary.** A lattice tolerance on a lattice L is a skeletal element in Tol(L) if and only if it is a skeletal element in Con(L).

PSEUDOCOMPLEMENTS IN LATTICES OF FRAME TOLERANCES

It appears natural to ask whether analogous results may be obtained for frame tolerances and frame congruences. Unfortunately, we don't yet know whether the operator FC assigning to any frame tolerance T the least frame congruence FC(T) containing T is a lattice homomorphism of the lattice of all frame tolerances FTol(L) onto the lattice of all frame congruences FCon(L). We know that FTol(L) is a frame (cf. [4]). This frame is order isomorphic to the frame Ext(L) of all extensive \land -endomorphisms of the frame L, whereby congruences correspond with idempotent extensive \land -endomorphisms (cf. [4]).

4. Proposition. The relative pseudocomplement of an extensive \land -endomorphism with respect to an idempotent \land -endomorphism in $\mathbf{Ext}(L)$ is idempotent.

Proof. Let α be an extensive \wedge -endomorphism and ι an idempotent \wedge -endomorphism of the frame L such that $\iota \leq \alpha$. Since $\operatorname{Ext}(L)$ is a frame, it is relatively pseudocomplemented. Let β be the relative pseudocomplement of α with respect to ι . We have $\alpha \wedge \beta = \iota$, i.e. $(\forall x \in L) \alpha(x) \wedge \beta(x) = \iota(x)$. However, $(\alpha \wedge \beta\beta)(x) = \alpha(x) \wedge \beta\beta(x) = \alpha(x) \wedge \alpha\beta(x) \wedge \beta\beta(x) = \alpha(x) \wedge \alpha\beta(x) = \alpha\beta\beta$, it is an idempotent extensive \wedge -endomorphism. Q.E.D.

- **5. Corollary.** The relative pseudocomplement of a frame tolerance with respect to a frame congruence in FTol(L) is a frame congruence.
- **6. Corollary.** The pseudocomplement of an extensive \wedge -endomorphism in $\operatorname{Ext}(L)$ is idempotent.
- 7. Corollary. The pseudocomplement of a frame tolerance in FTol(L) is a frame congruence.
 - 8. Theorem. Let L be a frame. Relative pseudocomplement of a frame tolerance T

with respect to a frame congruence U in the lattice FTol(L) is identical with the relative pseudocomplement of FC(T) with respect to U in FCon(L).

Proof. By Corollary 5, $T^{*FTol}(U)$, $T^{**FTol}(U) \in \mathbf{FCon}(L)$. It is now obvious that $U \subseteq T \subseteq \mathbf{FC}(T) \subseteq T^{**FTol}(U)$. Consequently, $U = T \land T^{*FTol}(U) \subseteq \mathbf{FC}(T) \land T^{*FTol}(U) \subseteq T^{**FTol}(U) \land T^{*FTol}(U) = U$. Further, $\mathbf{FC}(T) \land S = U$ implies $T \land S = U$, which yields $S \subseteq T^{*FTol}(U)$ for any $S \in \mathbf{FCon}(L)$. We have just shown that $T^{*FTol}(U)$ is the relative pseudocomplement of $\mathbf{FC}(T)$ in $\mathbf{FCon}(L)$. Q.E.D.

- **9. Corollary.** For any frame L, the pseudocomplement of a frame tolerance T in FTol(L) is identical with the pseudocomplement of FC(T) in FCon(L).
- 10. Corollary. A frame tolerance on a frame L is a skeletal element in FTol(L) if and only if it is a skeletal element in FCon(L).
- 11. Lemma. In any frame L, and for any S, $T \in FTol(L)$, $S \wedge T = U \in FCon(L)$ implies $FC(S) \wedge FC(T) = U$.

Proof. In view of Theorem 8, it is obvious that $U \subseteq T \subseteq FC(T) \subseteq FC(S)^*(U)$, which immediately yields $FC(S) \land FC(T) = U$. Q.E.D.

12. Proposition. In any frame L, the operator FC is a frame homomorphism of FTol(L) onto FCon(L).

Proof. We have already known that \mathbf{FC} is a complete supremum homomorphism (cf. [4]). It remains to establish $\mathbf{FC}(S \wedge T) = \mathbf{FC}(S) \wedge \mathbf{FC}(T)$. We obtain that $\mathbf{FC}(S \wedge T) = (S \wedge T) \vee \mathbf{FC}(S \wedge T) = (S \vee \mathbf{FC}(S \wedge T)) \wedge (T \vee \mathbf{FC}(S \wedge T))$ holds in $\mathbf{Tol}(L)$. By the preceding lemma, $\mathbf{FC}(S \wedge T) = \mathbf{FC}(S \vee \mathbf{FC}(S \wedge T)) \wedge \mathbf{FC}(T \vee \mathbf{FC}(S \wedge T)) = \mathbf{FC}(S) \wedge \mathbf{FC}(T)$. Q.E.D.

ATOMS IN LATTCES OF FRAME TOLERANCES

13. Theorem. Lattices of all frame tolerances and of all lattice tolerances on a frame have the same atoms.

Proof. Principal frame tolerances coincide with principal lattice tolerances (cf. [4]). A lattice tolerance being an atom in Tol(L) is principal (cf. [2]), and therefore an atom in FTol(L). Conversely, let T be an atom in FTol(L). Suppose S be a lattice tolerance on L such that $\Delta \subset S \subseteq T$. Take $[a, b] \in S \setminus \Delta$. Since the principal lattice tolerance T(a, b) is a frame tolerance, we obtain T(a, b) = S = T. Q.E.D.

14. Corollary. A frame tolerance T on a frame L is an atom in FTol(L) if and only if T = T(a, b) where a > b.

See [2] for the proof.

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