

## Introduction to lattice theory

### Part I - Suggestions of exercices.

**Question 1.** For which  $n \geq 1$  the lattice of divisor of  $n$  is isomorphic to the powerset of  $\{0, 1\}$ ?

**Question 2.** Give the an example that shows that an order-preserving bijection between lattices might not be an order-isomorphism.

**Question 3.** Prove that the lexicographic order of two total orders is a total order.

**Question 4.** Let  $\mathbb{N}$  be ordered by divisibility. What is  $x \wedge y$ ? What is  $x \vee y$ ?

**Question 5.** A *partial map* from  $X$  to  $Y$  is a map  $f: S \rightarrow Y$  where  $S \subseteq X$ .

1. Show that the relation  $\leq$  defined of the set of partial maps from  $X$  to  $Y$  by

$$f \leq g \quad \text{if } \mathcal{G}(f) \subseteq \mathcal{G}(g),$$

where  $\mathcal{G}(h) := \{(x, h(x)) \mid x \in \text{dom}(h)\}$  for every map  $h$ , is a partial order.

2. Give a necessary and sufficient condition for a pair  $\{f, g\}$  to have a least upper bound.
3. Prove that every chain has a least upper bound.

**Question 6.** Give an example of a poset that contains (at least) three elements  $x, y, z$  such that

1.  $\{x, y, z\}$  is an antichain,
2.  $x \vee y, x \vee z$  and  $y \vee z$  fail to exist,
3.  $\vee\{x, y, z\}$

**Question 7.** Prove that every order embedding is one-to-one.

**Question 8.** Let  $(X, \leq)$  and  $(Y, \leq)$  two posets and  $f: X \rightarrow Y$ . Prove that the following conditions are equivalent.

- (i)  $f$  is an order-embedding.
- (ii) The map  $f': X \rightarrow f(X)$  defined as  $f'(x) = f(x)$  is an order-isomorphism.

**Question 9.** Let  $(X, \leq)$  and  $(Y, \leq)$  two posets and  $f: X \rightarrow Y$ . Prove that the following conditions are equivalent

- (i)  $f$  is an order-isomorphism.
- (ii)  $f$  is an order-preserving bijection and  $f^{-1}$  is also order-preserving.

**Question 10.** The aim of this exercise is to show that the lexicographic order of two lattices might not be a lattice. Let  $X$  be  $\mathcal{P}(\{0, 1\}) \times \mathbb{N}$  with lexicographic order. Find two elements of  $X$  with no greatest lower bound.

**Question 11.** Prove that if  $(L, \leq)$  is a lattice, then it satisfies the symmetry, associativity, idempotence and absorption laws.