

## Chapter 2

### PRE A\*-ALGEBRA AS A SEMILATTICE

This Chapter describes the concept of *Pre A\*-algebra as a semilattice*. In this Chapter, we define semilattice on a Pre A\*-algebra with respect to **the binary operation**  $\wedge$  (meet) and as well as  $\vee$  (join) and obtain the properties of semilattice on a Pre A\*-algebra. We establish Pre A\*-algebra as a semilattice. We prove necessary conditions for a semilattice to become a lattice with respect to meet and as well, as join. We define greatest lower bound of an element on Pre A\* - algebra and least upper bound of an element on Pre A\* - algebra and we provide examples of these. We define semi-\*-complement for semilattice on Pre A\* - algebra and we prove some theorems on these. We define atoms, dual atoms, irreducible elements with respect to meet as well as join for semilattice on Pre A\*-algebra. We obtain various theorems on these atoms, dual atoms, irreducible elements for semilattice on Pre A\*-algebra. We establish the atomic, dual atomic semilattices *on* Pre A\*-algebra.

This chapter consists of two sections. In the first section we recall the definition of partial ordering  $\leq$  on Pre A\*-algebra. We recall if A is a Pre A\*-algebra then  $(A, \leq)$  is a poset. We define a semilattice on Pre A\*-algebra. We prove Pre A\*-algebra as a semilattice. Next we prove some theorems on semilattice over a Pre A\*-algebra.

In the second section we describe greatest lower bound of an element in Pre A\* - algebra and least upper bound of an element in Pre A\* - algebra and we provide examples of these. We define semi-\*-complement for semilattice on Pre A\* - algebra and we prove some theorems on these. We define atoms, dual atoms, irreducible elements with respect to meet as well as join for semilattice on Pre A\*-algebra. We obtain various

theorems on these atoms, dual atoms, irreducible elements for semilattice on Pre  $A^*$ -algebra. We establish the atomic, dual atomic semilattices on Pre  $A^*$ -algebra.

## 2.1 Pre $A^*$ - algebra as a semilattice

**2.1.1 Definition [9]:** Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$  - algebra. Define the binary operation  $\leq$  on  $A$  by  $x \leq y$  if and only if  $x \wedge y = y \wedge x = x$ , for all  $x, y \in A$ . The defined operation  $\leq$  is said to be partial ordering on Pre  $A^*$  - algebra  $A$ .

**2.1.2 Lemma [9]:** If  $A$  is a Pre  $A^*$  - algebra then  $(A, \leq)$  is a Poset.

**2.1.3 (a) Definition (Semi lattice  $(S, \wedge(\vee))$  on a Pre  $A^*$  - algebra) :** A non-empty subset  $S$  of a Pre  $A^*$ - algebra  $A$  is said to be a semilattice if  $(S, \leq)$  is an ordered set in which every pair of elements has a greatest lower bound,(g.l.b) (least upper bound,(l.u.b)) (This will be proved in Theorem 2.1.8)

**(b) Alternate Definition(Semi lattice  $(S, \wedge(\vee))$  on a Pre  $A^*$  - algebra) :** A non-empty subset  $S$  of a Pre  $A^*$ - algebra  $A$  equipped with a binary operation  $\wedge(\vee)$  is said to be a semi lattice, if the following semi lattice axioms are satisfied.

- (i)  $\wedge(\vee)$  is associative i.e.  $a \wedge (b \wedge c) = (a \wedge b) \wedge c, \forall a, b, c \in S$
- (ii)  $\wedge(\vee)$  is commutative i.e.,  $a \wedge b = b \wedge a, \forall a, b \in S$
- (iii)  $\wedge(\vee)$  is idempotent i.e.,  $a \wedge a = a, \forall a \in S$

**2.1.4 Theorem:** In Pre  $A^*$  – algebra  $A$ ,  $(S, \wedge)$  &  $(S, \vee)$  are semilattices.

**Proof:** In Pre  $A^*$ -algebra,  $a \wedge (b \wedge c) = (a \wedge b) \wedge c, \forall a, b, c \in A$  (1.2.1(e))

$a \wedge b = b \wedge a, \forall a, b \in A$  (1.1(c)) and  $a \wedge a = a, \forall a \in A$  (1.2.1 (b)).

Hence  $(S, \wedge)$  is a semi lattice. By the duality in  $A$   $(S, \vee)$  is a semilattice.

**2.1.5 Theorem:** In a Pre  $A^*$ -algebra  $A$ , the class of semilattices can be equationally defined as the class of all semi group satisfying the commutative and idempotent laws.

**Proof:** Let  $(S, \wedge, (\vee))$  be a semi lattice on a Pre  $A^*$  - algebra  $A$ . By the definition of semi lattice we have  $\wedge(\vee)$  is associative

$$\text{i.e. } a \wedge (b \wedge c) = (a \wedge b) \wedge c, \forall a, b, c \in S$$

(ii)  $\wedge(\vee)$  is commutative

$$\text{i.e., } a \wedge b = b \wedge a, \forall a, b \in S$$

(iii)  $\wedge(\vee)$  is idempotent

$$\text{i.e., } a \wedge a = a, \forall a \in S.$$

Hence  $(S, \wedge)$  as well as  $(S, \vee)$  is a semigroup satisfying commutative and idempotent laws.

Therefore  $(S, \wedge, (\vee))$  is a semigroup satisfying the commutative and idempotent laws

**Converse:**

Suppose  $(S, \wedge)$  as well as  $(S, \vee)$  is a semi-group satisfying commutative and idempotent laws.

By the definition of Pre  $A^*$  – algebra  $A$ , we have

$$a \wedge (b \wedge c) = (a \wedge b) \wedge c, \forall a, b, c \in A \text{ (1.2.1(e)) ; } a \wedge b = b \wedge a, \forall a, b \in A \text{ (1.2.1(c))}$$

$$\text{and } a \wedge a = a, \forall a \in A \text{ (1.2.1 (b)).}$$

Hence  $\wedge(\vee)$  is associative, commutative and idempotent.

Hence  $(S, \wedge(\vee))$  is a Semilattice on a Pre  $A^*$ -algebra  $A$ .

**2.1.6 Theorem (Pre  $A^*$  - algebra as a semilattice):** Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$ –algebra. Then  $A$  is a semilattice.

**Proof:** Since  $A$  is a Pre  $A^*$ –algebra,  $a \wedge (b \wedge c) = (a \wedge b) \wedge c, \forall a, b, c \in A$  by 1.2.1 (e)

$$a \wedge b = b \wedge a, \forall a, b \in A \text{ by 1.2.1 (c). Hence } a \wedge a = a, \forall a \in A \text{ by 1.2.1(b).}$$

Hence  $A$  is a semilattice.

**2.1.7 Note 1:** We can define Pre  $A^*$  - algebra in terms of semilattice as follows:

An algebra  $(A, \wedge, \vee, \sim)$  is said to be Pre  $A^*$  - algebra where  $A$  is non-empty set with 1 and  $\wedge, \vee$  are binary operations  $\sim$  is a unary operation satisfying:

- (i)  $(A, \wedge)$  is a semilattice
- (ii)  $x \sim \sim = x, \forall x \in A,$
- (iii)  $(x \wedge y) \sim = x \sim \vee y \sim, \forall x, y \in A$
- (iv)  $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z), \forall x, y, z \in A$
- (v)  $x \wedge y = x \wedge (x \sim \vee y), \forall x, y, z \in A$

**Note 2:** We can define Pre  $A^*$  - algebra in terms of semilattice with respect to  $\vee$  also.

**2.1.8 Theorem:** Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra. In a semilattice  $S$  of a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra  $A$ , define

$x \leq y$  if and only if  $x \wedge y = x$ . Then  $(S, \leq)$  is an ordered set in which every pair of elements has a greatest lower bound.

Conversely, given an ordered set  $S$  with that property, define  $x \wedge y = \text{g.l.b.}(x, y)$ .

Then  $(S, \wedge)$  is a semilattice.

**Proof:** Let  $(S, \wedge)$  be a semilattice, and define  $\leq$  as above.

First we check that  $\leq$  is

a partial order.

(1)  $x \wedge x = x$  implies  $x \leq x$ .

(2) If  $x \leq y$  and  $y \leq x$ , then  $x = x \wedge y = y \wedge x = y$ .

(3) If  $x \leq y \leq z$ , then  $x \wedge z = (x \wedge y) \wedge z = x \wedge (y \wedge z) = x \wedge y = x$ , so  $x \leq z$ .

Since  $(x \wedge y) \wedge x = x \wedge (x \wedge y) = (x \wedge x) \wedge y = x \wedge y$ , we have  $x \wedge y \leq x$

similarly  $x \wedge y \leq y$ . Thus  $x \wedge y$  is a lower bound for  $\{x, y\}$ .

To see that it is the greatest lower bound, suppose  $z \leq x$  and  $z \leq y$ .

Then  $z \wedge (x \wedge y) = (z \wedge x) \wedge y = z \wedge y = z$ , so  $z \leq x \wedge y$

**Converse:** Suppose  $(S, \leq)$  is an ordered set.

Define  $x \wedge y = \text{g.l.b.}(x, y)$ .

Since  $(S, \leq)$  is an ordered set,

- (i)  $x \leq x$  implies  $x \wedge x = x$
- (ii)  $x \leq y$  and  $y \leq x$ , then  $x \wedge y = y \wedge x$ .
- (iii)  $z \leq x$  and  $z \leq y$  implies  $z \wedge (x \wedge y) = (z \wedge x) \wedge y$ .

Hence  $(S, \wedge)$  is a semilattice.

**Note:** We can prove the above with respect to  $\vee$  also. Then the theorem is as follows:

**2.1.9 Theorem:** Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra. In a semilattice  $S$  of a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra  $A$ , define

$x \leq y$  if and only if  $x \vee y = y$ . Then  $(S, \leq)$  is an ordered set in which every pair of elements has a least upper bound.

Conversely, given an ordered set  $S$  with that property, define  $x \vee y = \text{l.u.b.}(x, y)$ .

Then  $(S, \vee)$  is a semilattice.

**Proof:** By duality of the above theorem, we can prove this theorem.

**2.1.10 Theorem:** Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra. In a semilattice  $S$  of a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra  $A$ , define  $x \leq y$  if and only if  $x \wedge y = x$  ( $x \vee y = y$ ) Then  $(S, \leq)$  is an ordered set in which every pair of elements has a greatest lower bound (least upper bound).

Conversely, given an ordered set  $S$  with that property, define  $x \wedge y = \text{g.l.b.}(x, y)$  ( $x \vee y = \text{l.u.b.}(x, y)$ )

Then  $(S, \wedge)$   $((S, \vee))$  is a semilattice and hence  $(S, \wedge, \vee)$  is a lattice.

**Proof:** By theorems 2.1.8 & 2.1.9

## 2.2 Atoms, dual atoms for semilattice on Pre A\*-algebra:

In this section we describe greatest lower bound of an element in Pre A\* - algebra and least upper bound of an element in Pre A\* - algebra and we provide examples of these. We define semi-\*-complement for semilattice on Pre A\* - algebra and we prove some theorems on these. We define atoms, dual atoms, irreducible elements with respect to meet as well as join for semilattice on Pre A\*-algebra. We obtain various theorems on these atoms, dual atoms, irreducible elements for semilattice on Pre A\*-algebra. We establish the atomic, dual atomic semilattices on Pre A\*-algebra.

### 2.2.1 Definition of a greatest lower bound of an element on Pre A\* - algebra:

Let A be a Pre A\* - algebra. An element  $a \in A$  is said to be a lower bound if  $a \leq x, \forall x \in A$ . And a is said to be a greatest lower bound if there exists a lower bound b such that  $b \leq a$ . The greatest lower bound (g.l.b) of the elements a, b is denoted by  $a \wedge b$ .

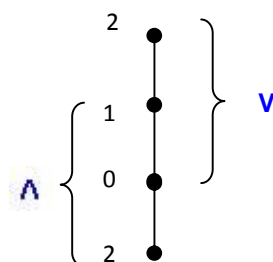
**2.2.2 Example:** Since in a Pre A\* - algebra,  $0 \wedge 1 = 0$  so 0 is g.l.b of  $\{0, 1\}$ . Also since  $2 \wedge 0 = 2$  so 2 is g.l.b of  $\{0, 2\}$ . Hence in a Pre A\* - algebra, 2 if exists then it is the g.l.b.

### 2.2.3 Definition of least upper bound of an element on Pre A\* - algebra:

Let A be a Pre A\* - algebra. An element  $a \in A$  is said to be an upper bound if  $x \leq a$ , for all  $x \in A$ . And a is said to be a least upper bound if there exists an upper bound b such that  $a \leq b$ . The least upper bound (l.u.b) of the elements a, b is denoted by  $a \vee b$ .

**2.2.4 Example:** Since in a Pre A\* - algebra,  $0 \vee 1 = 1$ . So 1 is l.u.b of  $\{0, 1\}$ . Also since  $2 \vee 0 = 2$ , 2 is l.u.b of  $\{0, 2\}$ . Hence in a Pre A\* - algebra, 2 if exists then it is the l.u.b.

**2.2.5 Note:** Since in a Pre A\*-algebra. we have



Observe that element 2 acts as the least element with respect to “meet”, whereas the same element (2) acts as the greatest element with respect to “join”

**2.2.6 Definition of least element on a  $(S, \wedge)$  semilattice:** Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra and  $(S, \wedge)$  be any semilattice on  $A$ . An element  $\alpha \in S$  is called least element if  $\alpha \leq x, \forall x \in S$

**2.2.7 Note:** The least element on a Pre  $A^*$ –algebra with respect to  $\wedge$  is 2

The least element on a Pre  $A^*$ –algebra with respect to  $\vee$  is 0

**2.2.8 Definition of greatest element on a  $(S, \vee)$  semilattice:** Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra and  $(S, \vee)$  be any semilattice on  $A$ . An element  $\beta \in S$  is called greatest element if  $x \leq \beta, \forall x \in S$

**2.2.9 Note:** The greatest element on a Pre  $A^*$ –algebra with respect to  $\wedge$  is 1

The greatest element on a Pre  $A^*$ –algebra with respect to  $\vee$  is 2

**2.2.10 Note:** In a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra,

the least element with respect to  $\wedge$  is 2, least element with respect to  $\vee$  is 0

and greatest element with respect to  $\wedge$  is 1, greatest element with respect to  $\vee$  is 2 .

$\alpha$  may be 0 or 2 i.e.,  $\alpha \in [2,1)$

$\beta$  may be 1 or 2  $\beta \in (0,2]$

**2.2.11 Note:** We define semi- $*$ -complement for semilattice on Pre  $A^*$  – algebra

**2.2.12 Definition (Semi- $*$ -complement of an element on a Pre  $A^*$ –algebra):**

Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra with the least element  $\alpha$  and  $x \in A$ . An element  $x^{\sim} \in A$  is said to be semi- $*$ -complement of  $x$  if  $x \wedge x^{\sim} = \alpha$

**2.2.13 Example:** Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra with least element with respect to  $\vee$  is 0 and

since  $0 \wedge 1 = 0$ , so 1 is semi- $*$ -complement of 0

Since  $1 \wedge 0 = 0$ , 0 is the semi- $*$ -complement of 1

**2.2.14 Example:** Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra with least element with respect to  $\wedge$  is 2 and

$2 \in A$ , since  $2 \wedge 2 = 2$ , hence 2 is semi- $*$ -complement of 2

**2.2.15 Definition:** Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra with least element is  $\alpha$ . The semi- $*$ -complements of an element other than the least element  $\alpha$  is called a proper semi- $*$ -complement in  $A$ . If in addition the proper semi- $*$ -complement is maximal then it is called maximal proper semi- $*$ -complement in  $A$ .

**2.2.16 Example 1:** In a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra with least element with respect to  $\vee$ ,

since  $0 \wedge 1 = 0$ ,  $1 \wedge 0 = 0$ , so 0, 1 are semi- $*$ -complements to one another

and 1 is the proper semi- $*$ -complement

**Example 2:** Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra with least element with respect to  $\wedge$  (i.e., 2),

since  $2 \wedge 2 = 2$ , 2 is semi- $*$ -complement but proper semi- $*$ -complement not exists for 2

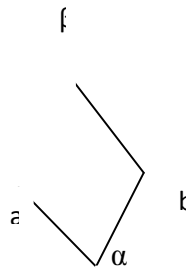
**2.2.17 Definition(Semi- $*$ -complemented semilattice on a Pre  $A^*$ -algebra):** Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra with least element  $\alpha$ . Then  $A$  is said to be semi- $*$ -complemented semilattice if every inner element (other than least and greatest elements in  $A$ ) has at least one proper semi- $*$ -complement.

**2.2.18 Example:** Let  $\mathbf{3} = \{0, 1, 2\}$  be a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra with least element with respect to  $\vee$  is 0 and greatest element with respect to  $\vee$  is 2 which is a semi- $*$ -complemented semilattice since 1 has proper semi- $*$ -complement.



**2.2.19 Note:** Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra with least element. Then every  $*$ -complement of an element is a semi- $*$ -complement but semi- $*$ -complement need not be  $*$ -complement

**2.2.20 For example,**



**Fig(A)**

In this fig(A),  $b$  is semi- $*$ -complement of  $a$  as well as,  $a$  is semi- $*$ -complement of  $b$

But  $b$  is not  $*$ -complement of  $a$  as well as,  $a$  is not  $*$ -complement of  $b$ .

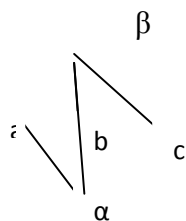
**2.2.21 Definition (Weakly  $*$ -complemented semilattice on a Pre  $A^*$ -algebra):** Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra with least element  $\alpha$ . Then  $A$  is said to be weakly  $*$ -complemented semilattice if any pair of elements  $a, b$  ( $a < b$ ) of  $A$   $a$  has semi  $*$ -complement, that is however not a semi  $*$ -complement of  $b$ . That is  $x^{\sim}$  is semi- $*$ - complement of  $a$  but not semi-  $*$ -complement of  $b$ .

**2.2.22 Example:** Let  $\mathbf{3} = \{0, 1, 2\}$  be a Pre  $A^*$  – algebra with least element with respect to  $\vee$  is 0 and for the pair of elements 0, 1 since  $0 \wedge 1 = 0$ , so 1 is semi- $*$ -complement of 0

Since  $1 \wedge 0 = 0$ , 0 is the semi- $*$ -complement of 1.

Hence  $\mathbf{3} = \{0,1,2\}$  is a weakly  $*$ -complemented semilattice.

**2.2.23 Example:**



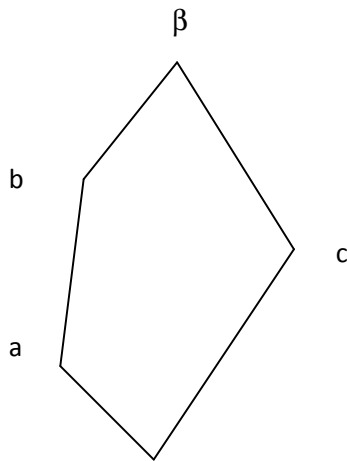
**Fig(B) weakly  $*$ -complemented semilattice.**

In this fig(B), b is semi- $*$ -complement of a however c is not semi- $*$ -complement of a

Similarly a is semi- $*$ -complement of b however c is not semi- $*$ -complement of b

Hence it is weakly  $*$ -complemented

**2.2.24 Example:** The semilattice shown in fig (iv) is example of a semilattice which is not weakly  $*$ -complemented.



$\alpha$  Fig. (iv) Example of a semilattice which is not weakly  $*$ -complemented

This is not weakly  $*$ -complemented since  $a < b$  and c is semi  $*$ -complement of both a and b.

**2.2.25 Theorem:** Let A be a Pre  $A^*$ -algebra. Then every weakly  $*$ -complemented semilattice in A is semi- $*$ -complemented.

**Proof:** Let A be a Pre  $A^*$ -algebra with least element  $\alpha$  , greatest element  $\beta$

Let S be any weakly  $*$ -complemented semilattice in A

**Claim:** S is semi- $*$ -complemented

Let  $a \in S$  be an inner element

i.e.,  $a \neq \alpha, a \neq \beta$

$\Rightarrow a$  is not a maximal element

$\Rightarrow \exists b \in S$  such that  $a < b$

Since  $S$  is weakly  $*$ -complemented semilattice in  $A$ , we have that there exists semi-complement  $x$  of  $a$  which is not a semi- $*$ -complement of  $b$ .

i.e.,  $a \wedge x = \alpha \Rightarrow b \wedge x \neq \alpha$

Then  $x$  is proper semi- $*$ -complement of  $a$  and hence  $S$  is semi- $*$ -complemented

Hence every weakly  $*$ -complemented semilattice in  $A$  is semi- $*$ -complemented.

### 2.2.26 Absorption law on Pre $A^*$ -algebra:

If  $a \in A, b \in B(A)$  then  $a \vee (a \wedge b) = a$

**2.2.27 Definition of atom for a semilattice on Pre  $A^*$  - algebra::** Let  $S$  be a subset of a Pre  $A^*$  - algebra  $A$ . Then an element  $p$  of a bounded below semilattice  $(S, \wedge)$  with least element  $\alpha$  is called an atom, if  $\alpha \text{ ---} \langle p$  ( $\alpha$  is covered by  $p$ ). If there exists an atom  $p$ , for each element  $a \neq \alpha$  of  $S$  such that  $p \leq a$ . Then we say that  $S$  is atomic

**2.2.28 Note:** That is, in a Pre  $A^*$  - algebra  $A$ ,

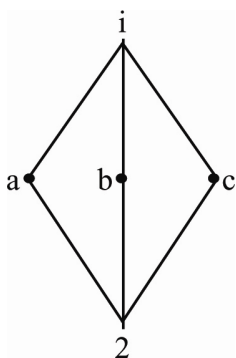
if  $(S, \wedge)$  is a semilattice with least element  $2$ , then  $2$  is atom with respect to  $\wedge$  if  $2 \text{ ---} \langle p$

if  $(S, \vee)$  is a semilattice with least element  $0$ , then  $0$  is atom with respect to  $\vee$  if  $0 \text{ ---} \langle p$ .

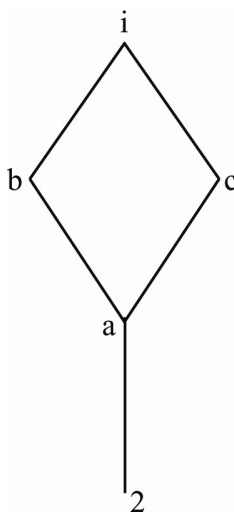
**2.2.29 Example:** In fig (i),  $a, b, c$  are atoms and this is atomic.

In fig (vi)  $a$  is the only one atom and this is also atomic.

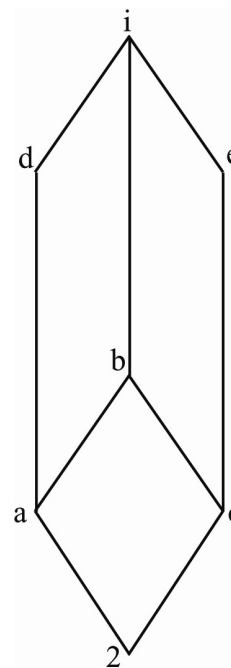
In fig (ii)  $a, c$  are atoms and this is also atomic.



**Fig(i)**



**Fig (vi)**



**Fig (ii)**

**Examples of atomic & dual atomic posets**

**2.2.30 Theorem:** Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$ -algebra and  $S$  be a subset of  $A$ . Then every finite semilattice, which is bounded below is atomic.

**Proof:** Let  $S$  be a subset of a Pre  $A^*$  - algebra  $A$ .

Then an element  $p$  of a bounded below semilattice  $(S, \wedge)$  with least element  $\alpha$  is called an atom, if  $\alpha \text{ ---} \langle p$  ( $\alpha$  is covered by  $p$ ).

Since in a Pre  $A^*$  - algebra  $A$ , if  $(S, \wedge)$  is a semilattice with least element  $2$ , then  $2$  is atom with respect to  $\wedge$  if  $2 \text{ ---} \langle p$

If there exists an atom  $p$ , for each element  $a \neq \alpha$  of  $S$  such that  $p \leq a$ . Then we say that  $S$  is atomic.

It is true for every such a finite semilattice  $(S, \wedge)$ .

**2.2.31 Definition (Dual atom for semilattice on Pre A\* - algebra):** Let S be a subset of a Pre A\* - algebra A. Then an element p of a bounded above semilattice (S, ∨) with greatest element β is called dual atom if  $q \text{ ---} \beta$  (q is covered by β)

If there exists a dual atom q for any element  $a \neq \beta$  of S such that  $a \leq q$ . Then we say that S is dual atomic semilattice

**Note:** That is, in a Pre A\* - algebra A, if (S, ∨) is a semilattice with greatest element 2, then 2 is dual atom with respect to ∨ if  $2 \text{ ---} p$

**2.2.32 Example:** Consider the diagrams fig (i),(ii),(iv):

In fig (i), a, b, c are dual atoms; In fig (vi), b, c are dual atoms.

In fig (ii), d, e, b are the dual atoms. All these are dual atomic semilattices.

**2.2.33 Definition (Join irreducible elements for semilattice on Pre A\* - algebra):** Let A be a Pre A\*- algebra and (S, ∨) be a semilattice in A with a lower bound α. An element a in S is said to be join irreducible if  $a = x \vee y \Rightarrow a = x$  or  $a = y$ .

**2.2.34 Example 1:** 2 is join irreducible in a Pre A\* - algebra.

**Example 2:** In Fig(v), every element in this chain is join irreducible.



**2.2.35 Theorem:** Let A be a Pre A\*-algebra Then in a finite semilattice S of A, if  $a \in S$  then we can write a as the join of irredundant join irreducible elements.

**Proof:** Assume that (S, ∨) be a finite semilattice of a Pre A\*-algebra A.

. Let H be the set of all elements of S which cannot be represented as the join of finite number of irredundant join irreducible elements.

Now we will show that H is empty.

Suppose if possible  $H$  is non-empty.

Then  $H$  does not contain any irredundant join irreducible elements, since if  $a$  is join irreducible element and  $a \in H$  then  $a = a \vee a$  and  $a = a \vee \alpha$  (if  $\alpha, a \in H$ ) are two representations of the element  $a$ , which is contradicting the definition of  $H$ . Hence every element  $a \in H$  is the join of finite number of join irreducible elements.

Since  $H$  is finite, then the set  $H$  contains at least one minimal element, say  $m$ .

Clearly  $m$  cannot be join irreducible.

So  $m = m_1 \vee m_2$  where  $m_1, m_2 \in S$  and  $m_1, m_2 < m$

Since  $m_1, m_2 < m$  we have  $m_1, m_2$  does not in  $H$ .

So  $m_1, m_2$  can be represented as  $m_1 = q_1 \vee q_2 \vee \dots \vee q_k$ ;

$m_2 = p_1 \vee p_2 \vee \dots \vee p_l$  where each  $p_j, q_j$  are join irreducible

elements and  $p_j < m_2, q_j < m_1$ .

Now  $m = m_1 \vee m_2$

$$= (\sum_{j=1}^k q_j) \vee (\sum_{i=1}^l p_i) \text{ which is a contradiction to } m \in H$$

Hence  $H$  is empty.

Therefore in a finite semilattice  $S$  if  $a \in S$  then we can write  $a$  as the join of irredundant join irreducible elements.

**2.2.36 Theorem:** Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$  - algebra and  $S$  be a finite semilattice with least element  $\alpha$  in  $S$ . Then each  $x \neq \alpha$  in  $S$  can be written uniquely as the join of atoms.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a finite Pre  $A^*$  - algebra and  $S$  be a finite semilattice.

Recall that an element  $a$  in a bounded below semilattice  $(S, \wedge)$  with least element  $\alpha$  is called an atom, if  $\alpha \prec a$  ( $\alpha$  is covered by  $a$ ).

Let  $B$  be the set of atoms of  $S$  and let  $P(B)$  be the Pre  $A^*$  - algebra of all subsets of the set  $B$  of atoms.

Then by theorem 2.2.35, each  $x \neq \alpha$  in  $S$  can be expressed uniquely as the join of irreducible elements and since the join irreducible elements are atoms, i.e., elements of  $B$ .

$$\text{Say } x = a_1 \vee a_2 \vee \dots \vee a_r$$

### 2.2.37 Meet irreducible elements for semilattice on Pre $A^*$ - algebra:

**Definition :** Let  $A$  be the Pre  $A^*$  - algebra and a subset  $S$  of  $A$  be a semilattice in  $A$  with an upper bound  $\beta$  . An element  $a$  in  $S$  is said to be meet irreducible

$$\text{if } a = x \wedge y \Rightarrow a = x \text{ or } a = y.$$

### 2.2.38 Example: 2 is meet irreducible

**Example:** In the above drawn Fig v, every element in this chain is meet irreducible

### 2.2.39 Theorem: Let $A$ be a Pre $A^*$ -algebra and $S$ be a subset of $A$ . Then in a finite

semilattice  $S$  if  $a \in S$  then we can write  $a$  as the meet of irredundant meet irreducible elements.

**Proof:** Let  $S$  be a subset of a Pre  $A^*$ -algebra  $A$ .

Assume that  $S$  be a finite semilattice.

Let  $H$  be the set of all elements of  $S$  which cannot be represented as the meet of finite number of irredundant meet irreducible elements.

Now we will show that  $H$  is empty.

Suppose if possible  $H$  is non-empty.

Then  $H$  does not contain any irredundant meet irreducible elements, since if  $a$  is meet irreducible element and  $a \in H$  then  $a = a \wedge a$  and  $a = a \wedge \beta$  (if  $\beta, a \in H$ ) are two representations of the element  $a$ , which is contradicting the definition of  $H$ .

Hence every element  $a \in H$  is the meet of finite number of meet irreducible elements.

Since  $H$  is finite, then the set  $H$  contains at least one maximal element, say  $m$

Clearly  $m$  cannot be meet irreducible

So  $m = m_1 \wedge m_2$  where  $m_1, m_2 \in S$  and  $m_1, m_2 > m$

Since  $m_1, m_2 > m$  we have  $m_1, m_2$  does not in  $H$

So  $m_1, m_2$  can be represented as

$$m_1 = q_1 \wedge q_2 \wedge \dots \wedge q_k$$

$$m_2 = p_1 \wedge p_2 \wedge \dots \wedge p_l \text{ where each } p_j, q_j \text{ are meet irreducible elements and } p_j > m_2, q_j > m_1$$

Now  $m = m_1 \wedge m_2$

$$= (\bigcap_{j=1}^k q_j) \wedge (\bigcap_{i=1}^l p_i) \text{ which is a contradiction to } m \in H$$

Hence  $H$  is empty.

Therefore in a finite semilattice  $S$  if  $a \in S$  then we can write  $a$  as the meet of irredundant meet irreducible elements.

**2.2.40 Theorem:** Let  $A$  be a Pre  $A^*$  - algebra and  $S$  be a finite semilattice with greatest element  $\beta$  in  $S$ . Then each  $x \neq \beta$  in  $S$  can be written uniquely as the meet of dual atoms.

**Proof:** Let  $A$  be a finite Pre  $A^*$  - algebra and  $S$  be a finite semilattice.

Then an element  $p$  of a bounded above semilattice  $(S, \vee)$  with greatest element  $\beta$  is called dual atom if if  $q \text{ ---} \prec \beta$  ( $q$  is covered by  $\beta$ )

If there exists a dual atom  $q$  for any element  $a \neq \beta$  of  $S$  such that  $a \leq q$ . Then we say that  $S$  is dual atomic semilattice



Let  $B$  be the set of dual atoms of  $S$  and let  $P(B)$  be the Pre  $A^*$  – algebra of all subsets of the set  $B$  of dual atoms.

Then by theorem 2.2.39, each  $x \neq \beta$  in  $S$  can be expressed uniquely as the meet of irreducible elements and since the meet of irreducible elements are dual atoms, i.e., elements of  $B$ .

$$\text{Say } x = a_1 \wedge a_2 \wedge \dots \wedge a_r$$

**Conclusion:** In this Chapter, we studied the concept of semilattice on a Pre  $A^*$ -algebra with respect to the binary operation (meet) and as well as the binary operation (join) and obtained the properties of semilattice on a Pre  $A^*$ -algebra. We established Pre  $A^*$ -algebra as a semilattice. We proved necessary conditions for a semilattice to become a lattice with respect to meet and as well, as join.

In the second section we defined greatest lower bound of an element in Pre  $A^*$  - algebra and least upper bound of an element in Pre  $A^*$  - algebra and we provided examples of these. We defined semi- $*$ -complement for semilattice on Pre  $A^*$  - algebra and we proved some theorems on these. We defined atoms, dual atoms, irreducible elements with respect to meet as well as join for semilattice on Pre  $A^*$ -algebra. We obtained various theorems on these atoms, dual atoms, irreducible elements for semilattice on Pre  $A^*$ -algebra. We established the atomic, dual atomic semilattices on Pre  $A^*$ -algebra.