

**Proof** See [6]. □

**Remark 4** See [7] for a more strong result.

**Theorem 6** *The center of a bounded distributive lattice constitutes its sublattice.*

**Proof** Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be a bounded distributive lattice and  $Z(\mathfrak{A})$  is its center. Let  $a, b \in Z(\mathfrak{A})$ . Consequently  $\bar{a}, \bar{b} \in Z(\mathfrak{A})$ . Then  $\bar{a} \cup \bar{b}$  is the complement of  $a \cap b$  because

$$\begin{aligned}(a \cap b) \cap (\bar{a} \cup \bar{b}) &= (a \cap b \cap \bar{a}) \cup (a \cap b \cap \bar{b}) = 0 \cup 0 = 0 \quad \text{and} \\ (a \cap b) \cup (\bar{a} \cup \bar{b}) &= (a \cup \bar{a} \cup \bar{b}) \cap (b \cup \bar{a} \cup \bar{b}) = 1 \cap 1 = 1.\end{aligned}$$

So  $a \cap b$  is complemented, analogously  $a \cup b$  is complemented. □

**Theorem 7** *The center of a bounded distributive lattice constitutes a boolean lattice.*

**Proof** Because it is a distributive complemented lattice. □

### 2.5. Galois connections

See [1] and [5] for more detailed treatment of Galois connections.

**Definition 17** *Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$  be two posets. A **Galois connection** between  $\mathfrak{A}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$  is a pair of functions  $f = (f^*, f_*)$  with  $f^* : \mathfrak{A} \rightarrow \mathfrak{B}$  and  $f_* : \mathfrak{B} \rightarrow \mathfrak{A}$  such that:*

$$\forall x \in \mathfrak{A}, y \in \mathfrak{B} : (f^*x \subseteq^{\mathfrak{B}} y \Leftrightarrow x \subseteq^{\mathfrak{A}} f_*y).$$

$f_*$  is called **upper adjoint** of  $f^*$  and  $f^*$  is called **lower adjoint** of  $f_*$ .

**Theorem 8** *A pair  $(f^*, f_*)$  of functions  $f^* : \mathfrak{A} \rightarrow \mathfrak{B}$  and  $f_* : \mathfrak{B} \rightarrow \mathfrak{A}$  is a Galois connection iff both of the following:*

1.  $f^*$  and  $f_*$  are monotone.
2.  $x \subseteq^{\mathfrak{A}} f_*f^*x$  and  $f^*f_*y \subseteq^{\mathfrak{B}} y$  for every  $x \in \mathfrak{A}$  and  $y \in \mathfrak{B}$ .

**Proof**

$$\Rightarrow 2. \quad x \subseteq^{\mathfrak{A}} f_*f^*x \text{ since } f^*x \subseteq^{\mathfrak{B}} f^*x; \quad f^*f_*y \subseteq^{\mathfrak{B}} y \text{ since } f_*y \subseteq^{\mathfrak{A}} f_*y.$$

1. Let  $a, b \in \mathfrak{A}$  and  $a \subseteq^{\mathfrak{A}} b$ . Then  $a \subseteq^{\mathfrak{A}} b \subseteq^{\mathfrak{A}} f_*f^*b$ . So by definition  $f^*a \subseteq f^*b$  that is  $f^*$  is monotone. Analogously  $f_*$  is monotone.

$$\Leftarrow f^*x \subseteq^{\mathfrak{B}} y \Rightarrow f_*f^*x \subseteq^{\mathfrak{A}} f_*y \Rightarrow x \subseteq^{\mathfrak{A}} f_*y. \text{ The other direction is analogous.}$$

□