

2. Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be a complete lattice and  $f$  preserves all infima. Let

$$g(a) = \bigsqcap \{x \in \mathfrak{A} \mid fx \sqsupseteq a\}.$$

Since  $f$  preserves infima, we have

$$f(g(a)) = \bigsqcap \{f(x) \mid x \in \mathfrak{A}, fx \sqsupseteq a\} \sqsupseteq a.$$

$$g(f(b)) = \bigsqcap \{x \in \mathfrak{A} \mid fx \sqsupseteq fb\} \sqsubseteq b.$$

Obviously  $f$  is monotone and thus  $g$  is also monotone.

So  $f$  is the upper adjoint of  $g$ . □

**Corollary 2.105.** Let  $f$  be a function from a complete lattice  $\mathfrak{A}$  to a poset  $\mathfrak{B}$ . Then:

1.  $f$  is an upper adjoint of a function  $\mathfrak{B} \rightarrow \mathfrak{A}$  iff  $f$  preserves all infima in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .
2.  $f$  is a lower adjoint of a function  $\mathfrak{B} \rightarrow \mathfrak{A}$  iff  $f$  preserves all suprema in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

### 2.1.14 Co-Brouwerian lattices

**Definition 2.106.** Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be a poset. *Pseudocomplement* of  $a \in \mathfrak{A}$  is

$$\max \{c \in \mathfrak{A} \mid c \asymp a\}.$$

If  $z$  is the pseudocomplement of  $a$  we will denote  $z = a^*$ .

**Definition 2.107.** Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be a poset. *Dual pseudocomplement* of  $a \in \mathfrak{A}$  is

$$\min \{c \in \mathfrak{A} \mid c \equiv a\}.$$

If  $z$  is the dual pseudocomplement of  $a$  we will denote  $z = a^+$ .

**Proposition 2.108.** If  $a$  is a complemented element of a bounded distributive lattice, then  $\bar{a}$  is both pseudocomplement and dual pseudocomplement of  $a$ .

**Proof.** Because of duality it is enough to prove that  $\bar{a}$  is pseudocomplement of  $a$ .

We need to prove  $c \asymp a \Rightarrow c \sqsubseteq \bar{a}$  for every element  $c$  of our poset, and  $\bar{a} \asymp a$ . The second is obvious. Let's prove  $c \asymp a \Rightarrow c \sqsubseteq \bar{a}$ .

Really, let  $c \asymp a$ . Then  $c \sqcap a = 0$ ;  $\bar{a} \sqcup (c \sqcap a) = \bar{a}$ ;  $(\bar{a} \sqcup c) \sqcap (\bar{a} \sqcup a) = \bar{a}$ ;  $\bar{a} \sqcup c = \bar{a}$ ;  $c \sqsubseteq \bar{a}$ . □

**Definition 2.109.** Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be a join-semilattice. Let  $a, b \in \mathfrak{A}$ . *Pseudodifference* of  $a$  and  $b$  is

$$\min \{z \in \mathfrak{A} \mid a \sqsubseteq b \sqcup z\}.$$

If  $z$  is a pseudodifference of  $a$  and  $b$  we will denote  $z = a \setminus^* b$ .

**Remark 2.110.** I do not require that  $a^*$  is undefined if there are no pseudocomplement of  $a$  and likewise for dual pseudocomplement and pseudodifference. In fact below I will define quasicomplement, dual quasicomplement, and quasidifference which generalize pseudo-\* counterparts. I will denote  $a^*$  the more general case of quasicomplement than of pseudocomplement, and likewise for other notation.

**Obvious 2.111.** Dual pseudocomplement is the dual of pseudocomplement.

**Definition 2.112.** *Co-brouwerian lattice* is a lattice for which pseudodifference of any two its elements is defined.

**Proposition 2.113.** Every non-empty co-brouwerian lattice  $\mathfrak{A}$  has least element.

**Proof.** Let  $a$  be an arbitrary lattice element. Then

$$a \setminus^* a = \min \{z \in \mathfrak{A} \mid a \sqsubseteq a \sqcup z\} = \min \mathfrak{A}.$$